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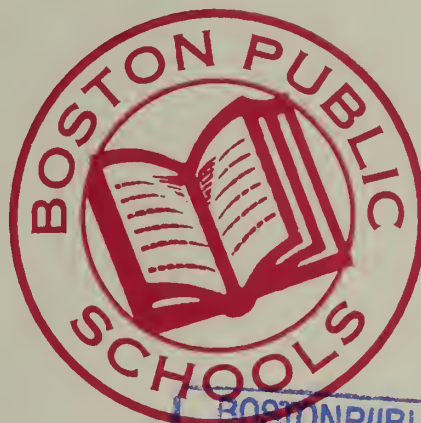
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Welcome to the Boston Public Schools



Thomas W. Payzant, Superintendent of Schools

Our Mission

*We welcome the children of
this city into the Boston
Public Schools, where effective
teaching and learning prepare
all of our students to achieve
at high levels, and where the
entire community works
together to focus on children.*

CHOOSING A SCHOOL for our children is one of the most important decisions we make as parents and guardians. I encourage you to spend as much time as you possibly can learning about the Boston Public Schools before you make that decision. Come see us—the welcome mats are out at all 128 schools.

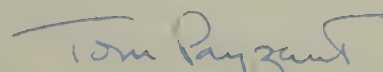
We are working hard to be sure your child, and every child, receives an excellent education in our schools. In 1996-97, we are introducing a new curriculum in four subjects—English language arts, mathematics, science and social studies—that sets higher standards for students and teachers. Working with the City, we have begun connecting every school to the Internet, so all students will have access to a whole world of information. We have adopted a tougher standardized test to give us an accurate picture of how our students are doing and to show us how we can help them do better. We have just opened state-of-the-art library media centers in several high schools and are working to improve library services in all schools.

In August 1997, we plan to open an exciting new pilot school: the Boston Arts Academy, the first public high school in our area for students showing promise in dance, music, theater and visual arts. Be sure to ask at our Parent Centers about other pilot schools, too. These schools, planned by teams of teachers, parents, education specialists, community leaders and others, are trying new approaches to teaching and learning.

We are also pleased to be opening more full-day kindergartens for five-year-olds, giving us the opportunity to prepare more children to be successful in first grade and beyond.

Finally, we are strengthening our School Site Councils, empowering parents, teachers and school-based administrators to make decisions that best serve their students.

Everything we do is focused on one goal: to improve teaching and learning for each and every student. Thank you for choosing the Boston Public Schools, and we look forward to working with you to reach that goal.


Superintendent of Schools



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Choosing a school in Boston

In the Boston Public Schools, we think that the more school choices you have, the better. When you register your child for school, you may choose from at least twenty-three elementary schools and at least five middle schools in your assignment area, plus several citywide schools. High school students may choose from among fifteen citywide high schools. In addition, students may apply for several special schools, such as the “exam” schools and the new Boston Arts Academy.

The City of Boston



Our schools reflect the rich cultural diversity of our city. So that each school is as racially and ethnically diverse as possible, we assign students according to racial and ethnic guidelines as well as choice. This is why we call Boston's assignment plan “controlled choice.” When seats are limited in a school, the plan gives preference to applicants who have a brother or sister in the same school, to those who can walk to the school, and to those who are changing from a bilingual or special education

program to a regular education class in the same school.

How will you decide which school is best for your child?

This Guide is a good place to start. It will answer many of your questions and introduce you to each of our schools.

Our five Parent Information Centers can really help, too. Staff can explain what each school offers, what your options are,

and how to apply. They also have information on:

- Waiting lists and transfers, if you want to change schools
- Bilingual and special education services
- Programs for high achievers
- Before and after school programs
- Summer programs
- Parent education
- Community resources
- ...and much more!



Our Parent Centers are listed on the back cover. Call or drop by.

We also encourage you to visit our schools and talk to relatives, friends and neighbors whose children attend schools you are considering. All schools are open to visitors during regular school hours. If you want to visit classrooms and speak to the principal and staff, we recommend calling ahead for an appointment.

Ask the principal and teachers about:

- The school's philosophy and expectations for every student
- Student achievement, measured by test scores and performance on projects and written assignments
- Variety of classes and programs, including the library and technology
- Teaching styles to match your child's learning style
- Experience of the principal and teachers
- School hours and availability of before and after school programs
- Size, location, and condition of the building and school yard
- Voluntary school uniforms, now in some of our schools.

Signing Up for School

Under Boston's student assignment plan, the city is divided into three geographic "zones"—East, West, and North—for elementary and middle schools. Parents may choose and apply for schools in the

zone in which they live. There are also several citywide schools open to all students: see pages 11-12 of this booklet. All high schools are citywide.

The application form lists all the schools you may choose. *You must choose at least three schools; but you may choose as many additional schools as you wish.* Be sure to number your choices in order of your preference.

If your child is new to the Boston Public Schools (BPS), you will receive a notice of your child's assignment by mail. Children who go to a Boston public school now will receive their notice of assignment from the school.

You do need to apply for school if...

- Your child will go to *Kindergarten, grade 1, grade 6, or grade 9*—the "transition grades"—in September 1997. [There are a few exceptions: students enrolled in the S. Greenwood, Hernandez, McKay (except bilingual classes), Tobin (except bilingual classes), and the exam schools may stay through the school's highest grade.]
- Your child is now in K1 and you want to apply for Extended Day K2.
- Your child is in Kindergarten-grade 8 and you move to a different zone
- Your child is in a special program and must go to a different school for a new program
- You want to transfer your child to another school
- Your child doesn't go to the Boston Public Schools now.

You don't need to apply for school if...

- Your child goes to the Boston Public Schools and will be in *grades 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, or 12* next year. Your child will automatically be assigned to his or her current school.
- Your child has a permanent Kindergarten 1 or Kindergarten 2 assignment (guaranteeing assignment through the school's highest grade). But you must reapply if you want to choose Extended Day K2.

Where to get an application

Currently enrolled students will get their applications from their school.

Parents of new-to-Boston students must visit one of our Parent Information Centers. See the back page for a list of our Centers.

What to bring when you apply

You will need to bring:

- Two preprinted proofs of address, such as a utility bill, bank statement, or Boston Housing Authority lease. The BPS doesn't accept personal mail or rent receipts. If you don't have proofs of your address, tell the Parent Information Center staff. When school is in session, an attendance supervisor may be able to visit your home to verify your address.
- A birth certificate, baptismal record or passport for children registering for Kindergarten or grade 1.
- Up-to-date immunization records and results of a recent tuberculosis test.

Your child must be immunized!

Before registering for school, according to state law, your child must be fully immunized. You must submit proof of up-to-date immunizations and a record of a recent tuberculosis test when you register. If you need a copy of the immunization record or have questions, contact your doctor or health center. If you don't have a doctor or health center, call Boston Medical Center, 534-5946: they have a free clinic, by appointment only. If you have not had your child immunized for health reasons or religious beliefs, bring a signed statement to that effect when you register for school.

When to apply

- **First Application Period:**
January 6-February 4, 1997
for students who will be in Kindergarten and grades 1, 6, and 9 next year.
- **Late Applications:**
February 5-March 14, 1997
for students who will be in Kindergarten and grades 1, 6, and 9 next year.
- **Transfers and New Registrations:**
February 10-March 14, 1997
for students who will be in grades 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, or 12 next year who (1) want to change schools, or (2) are new to the Boston Public Schools

Want a better chance of getting your "first choice" school?

- **Apply by your first deadline—**
February 4 for the transition grades, and March 14 for all other grades. You are *much* more likely to get one of your choices if you apply any time within your first application period. All

applications received *within each period* are processed together, not "first come/first assigned."

What if you miss the February 4 deadline and the March 14 deadline?

You may go to a Parent Information Center any time during the year to register for school or to request a transfer, but your choices will be more and more limited the longer you wait. Many popular schools are full after the first period.

- **Make at least three choices.** Students applying for Kindergarten - grade 12 are required to list *at least three choices* on the application.

HELPFUL HINTS

- Keep your copy of the school application form or transfer request in a safe place.
- Ask the name of everyone who helps or advises you and note the day you talked with them.

How does the BPS assign students?

Assignments are made by computer. The computer knows how many seats are available in each grade in each school, and what the racial guidelines are for filling those seats. Racial guidelines are set by zone, with some flexibility. The computer tries to assign each student to his or her first choice school.

Sometimes a school doesn't have room for every student who lists it as the first choice. When this happens, the computer assigns some students before others based on certain "preferences":

- **Sibling Preference.** If you would like your children to go to the same school, ask the Parent Information Center staff

how to apply for "sibling preference." *If seats are available*, siblings are assigned regardless of racial guidelines. But sometimes a school doesn't have room for all the siblings who request it; so we can't *guarantee* sibling assignments.

IMPORTANT: Be sure to ask for sibling preference *the first time you apply!*

■ **Walk Zone Preference.** *Within racial guidelines*, students who choose a school identified as a "walk zone school" usually will be assigned before students who choose the same school without a walk zone designation. Up to 100% of a school's seats may be filled by walkers. You can find out your walk zone school from any Parent Information Center. Some families don't live within the walk zone of any school. For these children, we allow walk zone preference for the school nearest home—even if the child will have to take a bus to get there. Students who live within the walk zone of more than one school receive walk zone preference to all the schools in their walk zone.

■ **Random Numbers.** The computer gives each application a "random number." How is it used? Imagine that each application has a "weight." An application with sibling preference "weighs" more than one with walk zone preference; one with sibling *and* walk zone preference "weighs" more than one with only sibling preference. When two applications "weigh" the same and the school has only one seat, the computer assigns the student by random number.

If you don't get your first choice school...

The computer will try to assign your child to one of the other choices you listed.



■ **Waiting Lists.** Students who get their second choice go on the waiting list for their first choice. If they don't get their first *or* second choice, they go on waiting lists for both. Students who don't get *any* of their choices go on waiting lists for up to three choices. Kindergarten students go on waiting lists for up to two schools and may be on lists for both half day and full day programs in the same school. Your child's place on the waiting list is based on race, preferences (such as sibling or walk zone), the date you applied, and random number. After the first two weeks of school, available seats in grades 1-5 may be filled by students on waiting lists without regard to race.

For the latest information on changes in student assignment policy, call any Parent Information Center.

You can find out your child's place on a school's waiting list by calling any Parent Information Center at the end of each application period. In August and September, you can also call the School Hotline, 635-9046. *All waiting lists expire at the end of January, 1998.*

■ **Administrative Assignments.** State law says each child must attend school beginning in September of the calendar year in which the child turns six years old. If you don't receive one of your school choices, or if you don't return an application for a student age six and over starting a "transition grade" (Kindergarten and grades 1, 6 and 9), we will assign the child to the school closest to home that has a seat, following racial guidelines.

Failure to send a child to school could result in legal action against the parent. [Dept. of Education Regulation 603 CMR 8.02(1)]

If your child will be under age six through December 31, 1997, we will not assign your child to a school you did not choose.

Transfers

If you want to change schools, you can apply for a transfer during the "transfer" period, February 10-March 14. Transfer requests received *after March 14* will be processed until the end of September. Requests received after that time will be processed in two batches: in early November and at the end of January. *We can't guarantee your transfer request will be approved.*

Students in grades 1-12 may transfer to another school *only once* per school year.

If you move...

- Bring two proofs of your new address to any Parent Information Center right away. If you don't have proof of your new address, call the Parent Center for advice. During the school year, we may be able to send an attendance officer to your home to verify the address.
- Remember: We can't change your bus stop until we know your new address. Also, a move could mean your child will have to change schools.
- Also give the school principal your new address.

If you become homeless...

Your child has a right to stay at the last school attended through the end of the school year *or* to enroll in a school within the new zone, town or city where you live temporarily if your family moves into a temporary living arrangement, such as a shelter or with friends or family. However, we may not be able to provide transportation in all situations. For more help, call Student Support Services, 635-8030.

Expulsion

Students who have been expelled from other school systems may not enroll in the Boston Public Schools. If the BPS finds out that a student has been expelled from his or her previous school, that student will be expelled immediately.

Transportation

About one-third of our 63,000 students walk to school, and the rest get transportation by school bus or MBTA. Who is eligible for transportation?

- Students who live a mile or more from their kindergarten and elementary school
- Students who live 1 1/2 miles or more from their middle school
- Students who live two miles or more from their high school.

Most students who take a school bus are picked up and dropped off at a corner near their home. Eligible high school students get a T pass or a combination of T pass and yellow bus service. Children with special needs receive door-to-door service or regular transportation, as required in their Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

When your child is assigned to school, we will tell you if your child is eligible for transportation. In mid-August, we will mail you information about your child's bus stop, bus number, and schedule.

Alternative Transportation

You can request "alternative transportation" to or from a bus stop other than home (such as a baby-sitter's house or after school program). But there are restrictions: the stop you request must be on an existing bus route to or from the school, and there must be room on the bus. Walkers are also eligible for this service. For a Fact Sheet and application for alternative transportation, call any Parent Information Center or the school principal. We send the Fact Sheet to parents of all currently enrolled students in May.

IMPORTANT: Please do not apply for alternative transportation in order to change the bus stop if you have moved or are requesting a closer stop. When you notify us of your new address, we will automatically give your child a new bus stop near your new home if you are still eligible for transportation.

If you return a complete application for alternative transportation by the end of the school year, and if the stop is approved, your child's alternative stop will be active by the first day of school. If you wait until the start of the school year, your request may take several weeks. Please remember, *we can't guarantee that your child will get the alternative stop you request.*

HELPFUL HINTS

- If you think your child's bus stop is too far from home or is dangerous, you may be able to change it. But remember, bus stops can be several blocks from home.
- If we say your child lives within the school's "walk zone" and you disagree, you can ask us to measure the distance from your house to the school.
- We cannot provide door-to-door transportation for children whose parent or guardian is disabled—but we may be able to assign a corner stop closer to home. Some students with medical or physical conditions which prevent them from walking to a nearby corner stop may receive door-to-door service if they submit a letter from the doctor. Ask the principal for help. During the summer, call our Medical Services Office, 635-8030.

Transportation Offices

- East Zone 635-8018
- North Zone 635-9244
- West Zone 635-8028
- High Schools 635-8892
- Central Office 635-9520

Boston Public Schools Programs

From the first year of kindergarten through the last year of high school, our schools offer a variety of special programs. As you choose next year's school, think about what you want for your child a few years down the road. Is learning in two

languages important to you? We have several schools where all students take classes in English and Spanish. Will you encourage him or her to apply for one of our competitive "exam" schools? Many middle schools offer preparation for the entrance test, during or after school. Is your child a budding artist or performer? Our new Boston Arts Academy may be just the right high school—and you'll find good training in several elementary and middle schools that offer exceptional drama and arts programs, often in partnership with organizations such as the Boston Ballet. Even if high school, college and career seem far away, it's never too early to start planning.

Kindergarten

The Boston Public Schools have two Kindergarten grades:

■ Kindergarten 1—or "K1"—for children who turn 4 years old before September 1, 1997

■ Kindergarten 2—or "K2"—for children who turn 5 years old before September 1, 1997

- *We're sorry, but we can't make exceptions to these age guidelines.*
- *If your child turns 6 from September 1-December 31, the law requires you to send the child to school.*

We offer both half-day and full-day—or "Extended Day"—programs for K1 and K2. Almost all our K1 classes are half-day: students go to school in either the morning or the afternoon, for two and a half hours. Extended Day Kindergarten is as long as a regular school day, six hours.

Kindergarten is changing in Boston.

Our goal is to offer the best possible preparation for children entering grade 1. To meet this goal, we are phasing out half-day kindergarten programs, and by



September 1998 all K2 classes, serving almost 6,000 children, will be a full school day.

All elementary schools offer at least one full-day K2 class. To find out which schools offer half-day K1 and K2, call any Parent Information Center, or check the kindergarten application form for your zone.

Early Learning Centers—one in each zone, with three more planned—offer full-day Kindergarten and grade 1, plus before and after school care, all free of charge. Seats are limited for the ELCs, and waiting lists are long.

We have *a few* openings in Kindergarten 0—or “K0”—for children who turn 3 before September 1, 1997; but if you need a program for your three-year-old, we *strongly* urge you to check out Head Start and other preschool options. See the resource directory on page 10.

Bilingual Education

- ☎ 635-9435 • General Information
- ☎ 635-6547 • Testing & Placement

For students whose first language is not English, we offer transitional bilingual classes in nine languages. Students are taught in their native language while they are learning English. When they become proficient in English, students take classes taught in English with other students.

For students whose first language is less common in our schools—such as Russian and Arabic—we offer English as a

Second Language in multilingual classrooms in three schools: Hennigan Elementary, Irving Middle, and English High School.

If you think your child needs a bilingual class, your first step is to visit or call the Multilingual Communication & Placement Center, 635-6547, in the Madison Park Complex, 55 New Dudley St., Roxbury (near the Roxbury Crossing MBTA station). Hours: 9 A.M.-5 P.M., Mon.-Fri. on school days; 9 A.M.-3 P.M. during the summer and school vacations. For testing, please arrive *at least* one hour before closing. The staff there can explain how your child can be tested, what programs are available, and how to choose a school. And they can help in many languages.

Services for Children with Special Needs

- ☎ 635-7800 • Elementary Schools
- ☎ 635-8584 • Middle Schools
- ☎ 635-8582 • High Schools

Students with special needs are children who have a disability or a combination of disabilities that make learning difficult. We offer a wide variety of services, including specialized instruction and services such as speech and language therapy, physical therapy, vision resources, and more. Many schools use “inclusionary” practices that make it possible for students with special needs to receive services in a regular education classroom.

If you think your child has a special need, contact the principal or evaluation team leader at the Boston public school he or she attends. If your child does not attend a Boston public school, contact your Parent Information Center listed on the

back cover, or call the appropriate special needs office at the numbers listed above. The Special Needs Parent Advisory Council, 635-7810, can also advise you and help solve problems.

Advanced Work Class (AWC)

☎ 635-9419

This program for eligible children in grades 4, 5, and 6 offers academic enrichment, slightly smaller classes, and “looping” (staying with the same teacher for grades 4 and 5). Eligibility is based on results of a standardized test (taken in the fall of grades 3, 4 and 5), racial guidelines, and capacity. There are several AWC programs in each zone. If your child is eligible for AWC for grade 4 or 5, we will send you a mailer listing your AWC choices. *All 5th graders, even those currently in grade 5 AWC, must take the test to be invited to grade 6 AWC.* Eligible 6th graders will see their choices listed on the application form. For more information, call any Parent Information Center.

High School Programs

Our high schools each offer classes in the basic subjects (language arts, math, science and social studies), plus special classes and programs—during and after school—that make each school unique. You’ll find school-to-career, health careers, banking and finance, travel and tourism, agriculture, and other specialties. We also have programs for older students who want to return for their diploma, at-risk students, students who want to go to school at night, students who are parents, and students who want to sample the college experience while still in high school.

Technical/Vocational Education

We offer comprehensive instruction in technical and vocational education in two high schools. Madison Park Technical Vocational High School houses 27 vocational programs within its three career academies. West Roxbury High School has two programs. Most of these vocational programs are approved by the State under Chapter 74.

Technical/vocational education provides an opportunity for students to learn a skill, develop an academic foundation for continued post-secondary study, and build a career while they earn a high school diploma. Madison Park and West Roxbury offer comprehensive academic instruction, along with bilingual and special education programs. Special job placement services are provided to graduating seniors who want to work. For 9th graders, Madison Park has a full-year exploratory program that allows students to assess their vocational interests and aptitudes and to gain exposure to the wide array of vocational programs in the Boston Public Schools. In addition to its vocational programs, Madison Park also houses the Roland Hayes Division of Music, where students can concentrate on vocal or instrumental music.

School-to-Career

☎ 635-8079

Through the School-to-Career approach, the classroom extends to the workplace and the community during the school day. In most of our high schools, and even some middle schools, students can explore possible careers and learn practical skills in, for example, a hospital, bank or TV studio as they improve their academic skills. For many students,

experiencing the connection between school and the “real world” is the key to academic success.

The Examination Schools

☎ 635-9555

We have three “examination schools” for grades 7-12 that admit students on a competitive basis. They are: Boston Latin Academy in Roxbury, Boston Latin School in the Longwood hospital area, and O’Bryant School of Mathematics & Science in the Madison Park complex, Roxbury. All three schools accept new students for grades 7 and 9. O’Bryant also accepts new students for grade 10.

Test registration materials for students applying for the 1998-99 school year will be available in late August 1997 in all our middle schools and high schools, Parent Information Centers, branch libraries, and Boys & Girls Clubs.

The Boston School Committee expects to approve a new admission policy for the exam schools that will be in effect for students applying for admission in August 1997. For the latest information on exam school testing and admissions, call 635-9555.

More About Our Schools

Parent Involvement

☎ 635-9660

Every school has a School Parent Council—an “SPC”—responsible for reviewing the budget, recommending programs, and evaluating the principal. The Citywide Parents Council is the

“umbrella” and central resource for the SPCs. In addition, we have parent councils for parents whose first language is not English, and for parents with children in special education and Title I programs. See the resource directory on page 10 for their phone numbers.

Parents also may be elected as members of their School Site Council, which includes the principal, teachers and (in high schools) students. Now active in every school, these councils work together on programs and planning, for now and for the future—an idea we call “School-Based Management/Shared Decision-Making.”

To find out more about our services for parents, and about how parents can help their child at home, call the Parent Support Services Team, 635-9660.

Services for Students

☎ 635-8030

Our schools offer a wide range of support services for students of all ages, including health services and education, family and individual counseling, guidance services for students applying for college, substance abuse and violence prevention programs, peer mediation training, a citywide Student Advisory Council, and much more. All come under the “umbrella” of the Student Support Services Team, 635-8030.

Building Improvements

In the last five years, Boston’s schools have had more than \$200 million in improvements—and plans for the next few years call for more renovations and even new school buildings. If you could visit all our schools by June 1997, you would find:



- thirty new playgrounds, many of which also serve as outdoor learning centers
- state-of-the art library/media centers in three high schools
- wiring for direct access to the Internet in nineteen schools, and access by telephone in all schools
- new windows, tiling, heating systems, roofs, doors and paint in dozens of schools
- one *million* square feet of refinished hardwood floors in classrooms and gymnasiums.

Every year, our schools are becoming brighter, safer and better equipped places to learn.

Attendance Policy

If a student doesn't report to school for the first five days of the school year, or five days after being assigned to school, we will call and write to the parent or guardian to find out why the student hasn't come to school. If after another ten days the student still hasn't reported to school or the parent hasn't notified the school of a health problem, the student will lose his or her assignment at that school, and we will notify the attendance officer.

Children who are absent more than 15% of the school year will not be promoted to the next grade—so be sure your child goes to school *every day* unless he or she is ill. Good attendance is one of the most important ingredients for school success. ■

RESOURCES FOR PARENTS

BOSTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Main Number/All Departments	635-9000
Adult Education	635-9827
Bilingual Department	635-9435
Citywide Parents Council (CPC)	635-8007
Master Parent Advisory Council (Bilingual) ..	635-6553
Medical Services Department	635-8030
Multilingual Communication & Placement	635-6547
Parent Information Centers	See back cover
Parent Support Services	635-9660
School Hot Line (August and September) ...	635-9046
Special Education Department	635-9700
Special Needs Parent Advisory Council	635-7810
Student Support Services	635-8030
Title I Parent Resource Center	635-7750

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND SERVICES

Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD)	357-6000
GED, high school diploma, jobs program	
Boston Medical Center Pediatric Clinic	
Immunizations (call for appointment)	534-5946
Boston Community Centers	635-4920
Youth programs, adult education, recreation, GED	
Boston Public Library/Copley Square	
Central Library	536-5400 ext. 334
Child Care Choices of Boston	
Parent Hotline	542-KIDS ext. 641
Information about licensed day care centers and providers, operating Monday-Friday, 9 AM to 1 PM	
Citywide Educational Coalition (CWEC)	542-2835
School information, parent newsletters	
EDCO Youth Alternative	262-9562
High school diploma and school-to-career for out-of-school youth	
Federation for Children with Special Needs .	482-2915
Advocacy, information and training	
Higher Education Information Center	536-0200
Free information about higher education, financial aid, careers	
Latino Parents Association	983-5529
Support for Latino families	
Parents United for Child Care	426-8288
Information about before and after school programs	

HEAD START PRESCHOOLS

General Information

☎ 357-6000 ext. 13

For low income families, accepting children ages 3-4 (some younger).

Allston/Brighton	783-1235
Charlestown	241-7018
Chinese	
Church	482-3087
Dorchester	282-1100
East Boston	567-8855
Geneva Ave.	288-9151
Hyde Park	361-2300
Jamaica Plain	522-5533
Mattapan	298-1785
Native American	
Community	232-8534
North End	367-0532
Parent Child Center	288-5580
Parker Hill/	
Fenway	267-1245
St. James/	
Orchard Park	445-8843
South Boston	269-5160
South End	426-2855
Walnut Grove	448-8202
Washington Hill	
(Roslindale)	327-1152
West Roxbury	323-5327

MASSACHUSETTS DEPT. OF EDUCATION

Charter School Office

☎ 727-0075

Information about public schools open to Boston residents that are not part of the Boston Public Schools

Citywide Elementary and Middle Schools

These five schools are open to students in all Boston neighborhoods.

Hernandez Elementary & Middle School

61 School Street, Roxbury
Margarita M. Muñiz, Principal
☎ 635-8187 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Hernandez School...

- is located between Egleston Square and Franklin Park
- has 400 students in Kindergarten-grade 8
- is a two-way bilingual school: All students learn in English and Spanish
- offers a before-school program for K-5, and a longer school day (including after-school sports) for grades 6-8
- is an Expeditionary Learning Outward Bound school: Students learn skills and build self-esteem through challenging group and individual experiences
- teaches all subjects using common themes and hands-on learning in cooperative groups
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School, and has received a Harcourt Charitable Foundation Grant (1996-99)
- works with the American Student Assistance Corp., The Boston Company, and Bentley College, who

- provide college awareness, financial aid, and technology help
- has had recent building improvements, inside and out.

M. L. King Jr. Middle School

77 Lawrence Avenue, Dorchester
Sonya E. Stiebel, Principal
☎ 635-8212 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The King Middle School...

- is in a residential neighborhood between Uphams Corner and Franklin Park
- has 475 students in grades 6-8
- is a school where students put their best effort into their work
- is a school where love and respect bind the community into a purposeful unit
- follows the Max Warburg Curriculum, a three-year language arts curriculum with a different theme each year: courage, perseverance, and loyalty
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grade 6
- works with many agencies: Urban League, Roxbury MultiService Center, Gang Peace, Project Hope, and others
- has mentor projects with Coopers & Lybrand, Harvard Business School, Harvard School of Education, and Charles St. AME Church
- has after school tutoring and sports
- is part of The Algebra Project, using innovative methods to teach and tutor math
- sponsors intramural sports, chorus, and cheerleaders.

Mission Hill School

79 Alleghany Street, Roxbury
Deborah Meier, Principal
☎ 242-7730

Hours:
to be announced

Mission Hill School is a new "pilot" school, opening in August 1997. It will...

- be located in the former Mission High School in Mission Hill
- open with approximately 95 students in Kindergarten-grade 5, growing within three years to 240 students in Kindergarten-grade 8, divided into two "houses" of 120 students each
- have as its principal a nationally renowned educator and author
- build on successful educational models that have worked in small, private schools, rooted in the progressive educational philosophy of John Dewey.

Mission Hill School...

- believes in close cooperation and collaboration between family and school
- supports sustained family involvement in connecting home and school
- believes that quality education is based on respect, and that both home and school cultures must be honored
- defines success in education as including understanding of diverse cultures, a concern for fairness, and perseverance in the face of difficulty
- assumes collective responsibility for results
- observes and assesses student progress through portfolio and performance-based measures in a wide range of academic, artistic, and social disciplines
- is developing a variety of partnerships, particularly with other BPS schools and with higher education partners.

**Timilty Middle School**

205 Roxbury Street, Roxbury

Roger F. Harris, Principal

☎ 635-8109

Hours: 7:35-3:05

Friday: 7:35 to 12:45

The Timilty Middle School...

- is located in historic Eliot Square, near Roxbury Crossing, next to Roxbury Heritage State Park
- has 600 students in grades 6-8
- offers Project Promise, an innovative approach to learning that includes a longer school day
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grade 6
- infuses reading, writing, and math across all subjects
- has schoolwide Internet access
- schedules two specialty classes a day: gym, health, woodworking, home economics, music, critical thinking, Spanish, or art
- is a two time winner of the National Award for Excellence from the U.S. Dept. of Education, and has won many other awards for outstanding teaching and programs
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- has active partnerships with Mass. General Hospital, 3Com (for technology), and McDonald's.
- is two-time National Academic League Summer Program champion
- has a 112 member student/staff chorus
- provides workshops and classes for parents.

Young Achievers Science & Mathematics Elementary School

90 Smith Street, Roxbury

Dawn Lewis, Principal

☎ 635-6805

Hours: 7:30-5:30

Friday: 7:30 to 3:15

The Young Achievers Science & Mathematics School...

- is located in Mission Hill, on the grounds of Mission Grammar School
- has 200 children in Kindergarten-grade 3, adding one grade each year through grade 8
- is a "pilot school," free of many Boston Public Schools and Boston Teachers Union rules
- has small classes of no more than 20 students per class
- uses "looping": Teachers and students spend two years together
- encourages strong family and parent involvement
- offers French, music and physical education
- has meaningful collaborations with Wheelock College, Northeastern U., and Mass. College of Art that stimulate quality teaching and learning
- provides special education services within a regular classroom setting
- encourages younger and older students to read, work and share together on a regular basis
- offers clubs and other social, recreational, and academic activities in its extended day program
- has computers in every classroom, plus a computer lab.

East Zone Elementary Schools

Channing Elementary School

35 Sunnyside Street, Hyde Park

Deborah D. Dancy, Principal

☎ 635-8722

Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Channing School...

- is on a quiet street, near Cleary Square
- has 450 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses the Writing-to-Read Program to teach reading
- has many guest speakers and performances
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5
- has many extras, including a Talented & Gifted Program, foreign language, music, art, computer technology, and field trips
- uses innovative ways of teaching math and science, and is part of PALMS/Partnerships Advancing the Learning of Math & Science
- has violence prevention and counseling programs
- has a parent center and parent newsletter
- has just been renovated, with a new roof, lights, paint, windows, and doors.

Chittick Elementary School

154 Ruskindale Road, Mattapan

William Abbott, Principal

☎ 635-8652

Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Chittick School...

- is in a residential neighborhood,

- near Wood Avenue
- has 420 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- seeks to provide a full program with an active parent organization, support services for children and families, and an effective staff/parent governance structure
- presents a strong academic program with French, art, music, physical education and computer specialists
- offers a warm, nurturing environment for children
- receives support from community organizations such as the Mattapan Health Center, Mattapan Governance Board, Black Lawyers Association, Dorchester Counseling Center, Boston Children's Services and the Community Music Center
- collaborates with the school

development program at Yale University and with Simmons College

- is an excellent facility, recently modernized.

Clap Elementary School

35 Harvest Street, Dorchester
Angelo Giacalone, Principal

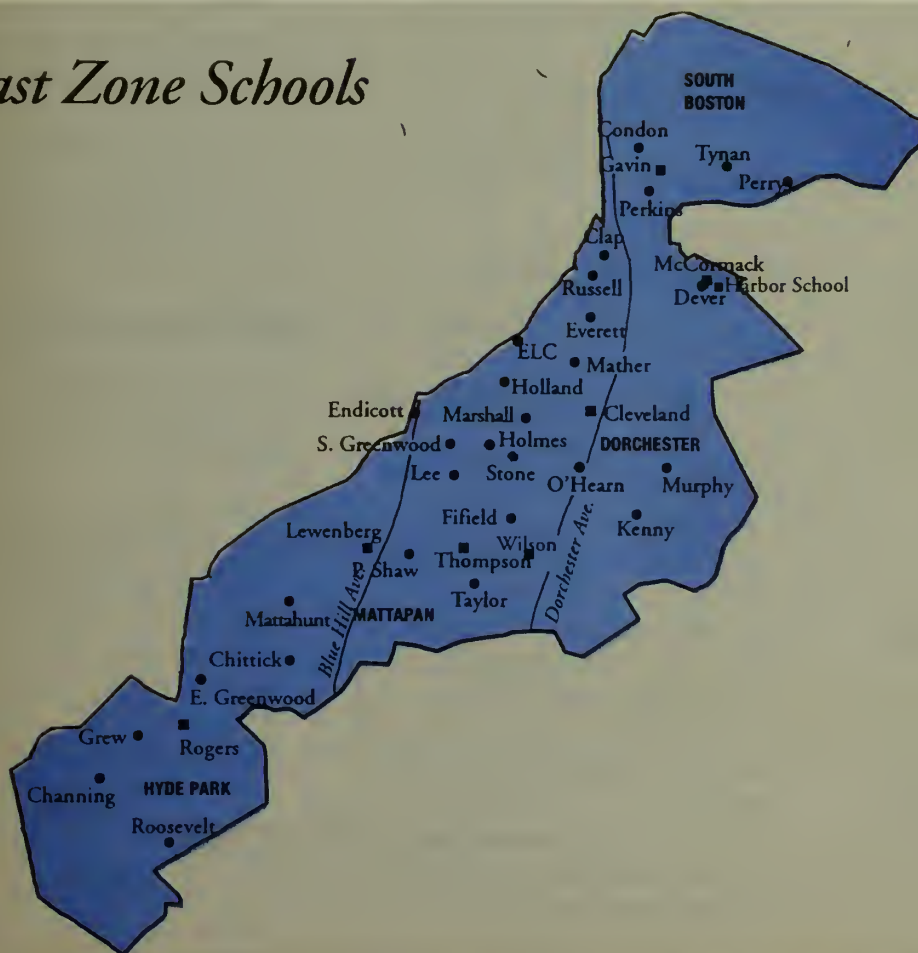
☎ 635-8672 Hours: 8:30-2:20

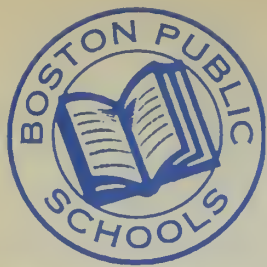
The Clap School...

- is located near Andrew Square
- has 250 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is a small school, which promotes the safety and security of all students
- focuses on the basics: reading, writing, and math

- has a Student of the Month program and monthly Birthday Celebrations
- uses computers for newspapers, books, and story telling
- offers computer education, art, and physical education classes
- has an active School Site Council and School Parent Council
- has many programs for children with special needs and for cultural enrichment, including the Boston Ballet, Very Special Arts, Museum of Fine Arts, and Young Audiences
- has a business partnership and mentoring program with Arnold & Fortuna Advertising Co.: 25 mentors helped our students this year.

East Zone Schools



**Condon Elementary School**

200 D Street, South Boston

Daniel Walsh, Principal

☎ 635-8608 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Condon School...

- is in the heart of South Boston
- has over 900 students in Early Childhood and Kindergarten-grade 5
- has two state-of-the-art computer labs
- offers a Cape Verdean bilingual program, schoolwide Title I, and Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5
- runs after school programs
- has a newly renovated playground and offers swimming in our Olympic-sized pool
- collaborates with UMass-Boston, Boston University, and Curry and Wheelock colleges
- is partners with the TERI Corporation, which has given us a first grade mini-computer lab and encourages employees to volunteer to read aloud to students
- has an active School Site Council and School Parent Council
- works with a City Year team.

Dever Elementary School

325 Mt. Vernon Street, Dorchester

Nydia Méndez, Principal

☎ 635-8694 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Dever School...

- is a on Harbor Point, near UMass-Boston
- has 560 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School

- has an active Parent Center that offers support, courses, and workshops for parents in English and Spanish as well as a variety of volunteer opportunities
- offers Spanish bilingual classes and a multi-grade special education LAB cluster
- has programs in drama, dance, storytelling, music, and physical education
- has two after-school and summer programs to support academic, artistic and social development
- is partners with Lesley College, Mentor Inc., BankBoston, the Coast Guard, MWRA, and others to support child development
- was chosen as a teacher training site for new math, science, and technology methods
- was one of first sites chosen to be wired schoolwide to the Internet to enhance our two computer labs and classroom computers
- is a flagship site of Citizen Schools, an apprenticeship-based enrichment program.

Early Learning Center/East

370 Columbia Road, Dorchester

Myrtle David, Program Director

☎ 635-8604 Hours: 7:15-5:45

The East Zone Early Learning Center...

- is a modern school, between Franklin Park and Uphams Corner
- has 190 students in Kindergarten-grade 1
- is an all-day school for all students, from 8:30 A.M. to 2:20 P.M.
- also offers *free* before and after school care: Students can come as early as 7:15 A.M. and stay as late as 5:45 P.M.
- uses Whole Language and phonics to teach reading and has all children in a daily writing program
- has an IBM computer lab

- teaches math using "hands-on" materials and science through experiments
- has a state-of-the-art playground built by parents and teachers.

Endicott Elementary School

2 McLellan Street, Dorchester

Robert Holland, Principal

☎ 635-8648 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Endicott School...

- is on Blue Hill Avenue, near Franklin Park
- has 220 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- emphasizes basic skills in a family-like setting
- offers school-based counseling
- is partners with: the Franklin Park Zoo; Hill, Holliday; and Houghton Mifflin
- believes all children are special
- believes that parents are an integral part of the educational process
- is committed to multicultural education
- has a committed, dedicated staff
- has been recently renovated.

Everett Elementary School

71 Pleasant Street, Dorchester

Kathleen Flannery, Principal

☎ 635-8779 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Everett School...

- is near the corner of Dorchester Ave. and Savin Hill Ave., within walking distance of the Uphams Corner Library
- has 375 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- provides a culturally diverse environment
- offers many reading programs and incentives, including: Reading Recovery, Reader-of-the-Month, Reading Is Fundamental (RIF), and book fairs

- has full-time computer, science, and art teachers, and performing arts (including a program and dance teacher from Boston Ballet City Dance)
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- involves parents with a weekly newsletter, monthly coffee hours, fund-raisers, and school volunteers
- has on-site counseling with Little House
- has voluntary school uniforms and an attendance incentive program
- is newly renovated and handicap accessible, with an auditorium and play yard.
- has a new after school program for grades 1-3.

Fifield Elementary School

25 Dunbar Avenue, Dorchester
Craig Lankhorst, Principal

☎ 635-8618 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Fifield School...

- is located in a residential neighborhood, four blocks from Codman Square, off Washington St.
- has 330 students in Kindergarten-grade 5 who learn together to reach their full potential, with extra help to meet individual needs
- offers a before and after school program run by the Dorchester YMCA
- provides accelerated math instruction to all students, and scores well above the national average in math
- uses computer-assisted instruction in reading and math in all grades
- is full of music: We have instrumental music lessons, choir, and access to professional musicians—and Boston Pops director Keith Lockhart is our "godfather"
- works with the Unity Club, Northeastern University, Girl

Scouts, Boston Ballet, Junior Achievement, Codman Square Merchants Association, and Future Teachers of America

- has a computer club and athletics
- has voluntary school uniforms, a school newspaper, many special awards, and honors a Student of the Month
- offers workshops for parents in our Family Center
- get daily exercise in our large playground and field.

Elihu Greenwood Elementary School

612 Metropolitan Avenue,
Hyde Park

Marjorie Powell, Principal

☎ 635-8665 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Elihu Greenwood School...

- is in a residential area
- has 540 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- fosters parent participation in school planning activities
- provides school-based counseling services
- is connected to PALMS, a statewide initiative to advance the teaching of math and science
- has a student-run store and recycle center
- offers enrichment activities, including Boston Music Education Collaborative (grades 1-5), Boston Ballet City Dance, Partners in Prevention, YMCA Adopt-a-Fifth Grade Program, and the Health Net health education program
- holds monthly student recognition assemblies and an annual Spooky Science family night
- has lots of special fairs—Science, Healthy Kids, and International—and concerts
- is partners with Hyde Park Savings Bank and the Hyde Park YMCA
- has many garden areas.

Sarah Greenwood Elementary & Middle School

189 Glenway Street, Dorchester
Isabel Méndez, Principal

☎ 635-8710 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Sarah Greenwood School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Franklin Park
- has 450 students in Kindergarten-grade 8
- offers "Estrellas," a chance for Spanish- and English-speaking students to learn together
- uses technology in all subjects
- has a Writing-to-Read computer lab and a new Writing-to-Write program
- has a Macintosh computer lab where students create stories, publish the school newspaper, and develop graphics
- has an IBM Teaching-and-Learning-Through-Computers lab for math
- uses HOTS (Higher Order Thinking Skills) to teach thinking, reasoning, and problem solving
- uses telecommunications and technology to teach math and science, and the Algebra Project to introduce algebra
- is partners with the Community Music Center
- follows the character curriculum Voices of Love and Freedom
- uses cooperative and multicultural learning
- has a full-time social worker, a parent center, and a Student Support Team
- participates in Peace Games.

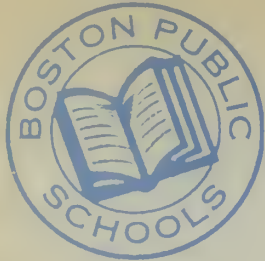
Grew Elementary School

40 Gordon Avenue, Hyde Park
Clare Joyce, Principal

☎ 635-8715 Hours: 9:15-3:05

The Grew School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, just



two blocks from Cleary Square

- has 385 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has Title I math and reading
- teaches math and science with help from new technology and methods
- has the Lonergan Institute "I Am A Good Person" program
- has a student support team
- has a Foster Grandparents program with senior citizens
- works with Boston Partners in Education
- is a "Partners in Prevention" school with Faulkner Hospital
- uses the Wisnia Kapp reading program: *Every* teacher is fully trained in this successful method
- has a small counseling program with Boston Community Services.

Holland Elementary School

85 Olney Street, Dorchester

Janet Williams, Principal

☎ 635-8832 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Holland School...

- is a modern school, near Columbia Road
- has 920 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is organized into six learning areas or "pods," each with a team of teachers who work and plan together
- also has several traditional classrooms
- has two computer labs: Josten Learning Center and Power Macintosh
- has a parent center to offer more participation in the school
- works with Northeastern University's Paul Robeson Institute/Mary MacLeod Bethune Institute

- has Reading Recovery and school-based therapy programs
- has a boys' choir, boys' & girls' basketball teams, swim team, and an olympic-size swimming pool.

Holmes Elementary School

40 School Street, Dorchester

Jacqueline Hogan, Principal

☎ 635-8681 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Holmes School...

- is in a quiet, residential neighborhood, near Washington St. in Dorchester
- has 275 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is a model school that fully includes special needs students in all classes
- uses a curriculum that reflects the diversity of its students and how *they* approach learning
- actively involves and welcomes parents
- has a partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank which sponsors a Read Aloud program, a pen pal club and a career awareness program
- has computers in every classroom
- has a schoolwide discipline program
- provides on-site counseling through the Dorchester Counseling Center
- offers a money management program, "Savings Makes Cents," sponsored by the State Treasurer's Office and the BankBoston.

Kenny Elementary School

19 Oakton Avenue, Dorchester

Thomas Deveney, Principal

☎ 635-8789 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Kenny School...

- is located in a residential neighborhood, near Adams Street
- has 450 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a computer lab.

Lee Elementary School

155 Talbot Avenue, Dorchester

Maria Iglesias, Principal

☎ 635-8687 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Lee School...

- is easy to get to, next to Franklin Field
- has 700 students in Kindergarten-grade 5, organized in five learning areas or "pods"
- offers Reading Readiness for Kindergarten students and Reading Recovery for grade 1
- has an award-winning (200 awards!) art program and offers music classes, chorus, and performing arts programs
- offers Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5
- works with the Arnold Arboretum for nature studies and science
- has a partnership with City Year
- pairs regular education and special needs students through the Peer Buddies program
- offers support and enrichment services through Boston Children's Services, UMass-Boston, Boston College, Milton Academy, Mass. College of Art, and others
- has a before and after school program with the Anthony Perkins Community Center
- is a modern school with a gym, pool, library, theater, and much more.

Marshall Elementary School

35 Westville Street, Dorchester

Teresa Harvey-Jackson, Principal

☎ 635-8810 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Marshall School...

- is a modern school, near Fields Corner
- has 960 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses a "family" grouping model: Children remain with the same

“family” of teachers, students and staff from Kindergarten through grade 5

- has a two-way bilingual mini-school for Kindergarten-grade 5: Students learn English *and* Spanish
- has Macintosh and Josten’s IBM computer labs
- houses the only school planetarium and greenhouse in the city
- offers a rich curriculum, including art, music, instrumental music, physical education, science, computers, swimming, and more
- is paired with Boston College, whose students mentor our grades 4 and 5 students through Project 2000.
- has a home/school literature program
- has lots of activities for families: Fathers’ Luncheon, Science Fair, spaghetti dinners, student/faculty basketball games, and more.

Mather Elementary School

One Parish Street, Dorchester

Michael Kim Marshall, Principal

☎ 635-8757 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The Mather School...

- is atop historic Meeting House Hill, near Fields Corner
- has 600 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a Vietnamese bilingual program and an inclusion class for special needs students
- has state-of-the-art programs for beginning readers: Reading Recovery and the Early Literacy Learning Initiative
- won a Harcourt Professional Development grant, and is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- has reorganized to create smaller classes schoolwide
- uses “looping” in most classes: Students stay with the same teacher

for two years

- has five Golden Apple Award winners and a principal who won the first Boston Plan for Excellence Award
- has a Macintosh LC-III lab and numerous Apple IIe computers
- has individually scheduled parent-teacher conferences at report card time
- is partners with The New England, City Year, Boston Children’s Services, Omega Psi Phi, Dorchester House, and the I.R.S.
- has a first-class facility and one of the best playgrounds in Boston.

Mattahunt Elementary School

100 Hebron Street, Mattapan

Nancy Dickerson, Principal

☎ 635-8792 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Mattahunt School...

- is an urban school in a suburban setting, near Cummins Highway, off Livermore Street
- has 800 students in Kindergarten-grade 5, including a large early childhood program
- uses Whole Language, phonics, cooperative learning, peer tutoring, and other innovative teaching methods
- uses Reading Recovery as an early intervention strategy: in fact, we are the center for Boston’s Reading Recovery program
- works with Foster Grandparents, Boston Partners in Education, Junior Achievement, and parent and community volunteers
- has Somali and Spanish bilingual programs
- has a computer lab and uses the computer-assisted Writing-to-Read program
- offers Nature’s Classroom science camp for grades 4-5
- is musical, with both vocal and

instrumental programs

- offers social services for students full-time
- is a large, modern building with a swimming pool and gym.

Murphy Elementary School

One Worrell Street, Dorchester

Robert Glennon, Principal

☎ 635-8781 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Murphy School...

- is next to Stop & Shop on Morrissey Boulevard
- has 870 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses a team approach to staff planning and problem solving
- offers Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5
- has two computer labs for reading, writing and math
- uses telecommunications to teach math and science
- has Peace Games, a program which works with teachers, parents and volunteers to teach the skills of peacemaking for students in grades 1, 3 and 5 to create a safe school community
- has monthly morning coffee hours for parents
- has a before school program
- has a grade 1 tutoring program with Boston Partners in Education
- offers student support services
- is a large school, built in 1973, with a flexible, open space design.

O’Hearn Elementary School

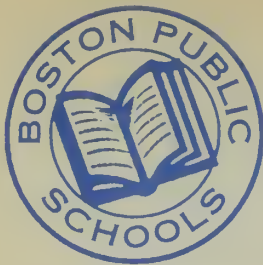
1669 Dorchester Avenue, Dorchester

William Henderson, Principal

☎ 635-8725 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The O’Hearn School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Shawmut Station



- has 225 students from early childhood through grade 5
- is a full inclusion school: Students involved in regular education, students with mild, moderate and severe disabilities, and students considered talented and gifted learn together and from each other
- follows the citywide learning standards
- uses thematic instruction, cooperative learning, the arts, and technology to enhance the curriculum
- involves family members extensively in decision making, outreach, newsletters, special events, and our family center
- collaborates with many universities, agencies, and corporations.

Perkins Elementary School

50 Burke Street, South Boston
Virginia DiFranza, Principal

☎ 635-8601 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Perkins School...

- is in the Old Colony Apartments
- has 300 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses the IBM Writing-to-Read program, and has a Macintosh computer lab to teach writing and computer literacy
- provides mentor counseling
- promotes Project P-R-I-D-E and self-esteem, empowering children to survive and succeed
- offers the Perkins Apprenticeship activity period every Friday for mixed-grade groups of students in grades 3-5
- received the Governor's Award for Anti-Violence

EAST ZONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

- is experimenting with inclusion and reciprocal mainstreaming
- has its own Wee Delivery in-house postal service
- gets help for our reading program from our business partner, Gillette Co.
- has just been renovated, with new windows.

Perry Elementary School

745 East 7th Street, South Boston
Sally Gorham, Principal

☎ 635-8840 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The Perry School...

- is in the City Point section of South Boston, across from Boston Harbor
- has 220 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- integrates special needs students into the whole classroom, with full inclusion classes for grades 1 and 2
- uses a wide variety of methods to teach reading
- believes in "hands-on," thematic learning and "process" writing
- houses two computer labs, uses the IBM Writing-to-Read program, and will be on the Internet by fall 1997
- provides specialists in instrumental music, science, computers, and physical education
- has won awards from A World of Difference and the Boston Public Library
- offers drug education through "So Bad," and works with the Boston Police Dept. on anti-gang and drug education programs
- offers counseling through Family Services, Inc.
- has a tutoring program with UMass-Boston and a partnership with the National Bank of Greece to teach students about banking
- offers free dance lessons through Boston Ballet City Dance, and participates in Boston Ballet's free

student matinee program and Nutcracker Lottery

- has a parent center, active parent council and School Site Council, and parent volunteers working in classrooms
- has newly renovated classrooms and exterior.

Roosevelt Elementary School

95 Needham Road, Hyde Park
Lorraine Bordonaro, Principal

☎ 635-8676 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Roosevelt School...

- is in a residential neighborhood off Truman Highway, a short drive from the Blue Hills and the Trailside Museum
- has 390 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses cooperative learning in the classroom
- uses hands-on activities every day to teach math and science
- has an IBM computer network lab for all grades
- has a computer in every classroom for remediation and enrichment
- provides science taught by a science specialist, and has an annual science fair
- offers Literature is Tops and Literature Through the Arts to develop good readers
- recognizes a Student of the Month from each classroom
- publishes a quarterly school newspaper, "The Roosevelt Chatter," and sends home a weekly parent bulletin
- has a partnership with nearby Curry College, whose students tutor our students
- has just had a \$1 million dollar renovation.

Russell Elementary School

750 Columbia Road, Dorchester

Archie Walsh, Principal

☎ 635-8803 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Russell School...

- is near Edward Everett Square
- has 450 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- offers the option of two-way Spanish bilingual classes for Kindergarten-grade 5: All students learn English and Spanish
- is a happy, diverse, multicultural school with waiting lists for every grade
- is absolutely gorgeous after a \$1.5 million renovation!

P. A. Shaw Elementary School

429 Norfolk Street, Dorchester

William B. Stevens, Principal

☎ 635-8719 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Pauline A. Shaw School...

- is on the corner of Morton and Norfolk Street, across from Walgreen's
- has 365 students in Early Childhood and Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a schoolwide International Studies theme
- uses Whole Language, Literature is Tops, and other programs to teach reading
- offers French and Japanese instruction
- hosts guest speakers from other countries and goes on cultural field trips
- works with the Showa Institute for Women, World Affairs Council, Boston Ballet, Boston Partners in Education, DECIDE drug education program, and many others
- has state-of-the-art technology and computer software, with computers in almost every classroom
- won a Title I PIP Award.

Stone Elementary School

22 Regina Road, Dorchester

Maria de los Angeles Montes,

Principal

☎ 635-8773 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Stone School...

- is on a quiet street, near the Dorchester Court House
- has 250 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is partners with John Hancock in a unique program which includes training for parents and teachers, mentoring, and other support
- has a journalism theme, encouraging all children in Kindergarten-grade 5 to be strong writers
- is partners with Boston Children's Services for on-site counseling and violence prevention programs
- is partners with UMass-Boston and Wheelock College, which provide student teachers
- has strong community ties through Codman Square Health Center, the Greenwood Family Center, the Merchants Association, Healthy Boston, and the YMCA
- offers a schoolwide Title I program
- works with Northeastern University nursing school students and CCHEERS
- has a media center and a parent center
- has been completely renovated.

Taylor Elementary School

1060 Morton Street, Mattapan

Cheryl Fontes, Principal

☎ 635-8731 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Taylor School...

- is in a residential neighborhood near Gallivan Boulevard
- has 690 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- offers Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5

- has a Haitian creole bilingual program and English as a Second Language
- offers French, gym, art, music, and computer classes to all students
- has a computer lab and several classroom computers
- runs the Taylor School Store, open to all students
- uses the Literature is Tops program
- gives scholarships from Boston Ballet to eligible students
- has new landscaping and has been recently renovated.

Tynan Elementary School

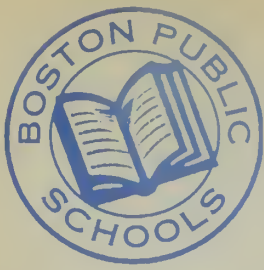
650 East 4th Street, South Boston

Nancy M. Sheehan, Principal

☎ 635-8641 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Tynan School...

- is in a residential area, near Flood Square
- has 530 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a Cape Verdean bilingual program
- has a physical fitness program at the Boston Athletic Club
- has a computer lab and full-time art and music room
- chooses schoolwide learning themes
- uses literature and Whole Language to teach reading, and has the Literature Is Tops program
- teaches math and science with "hands-on" activities, and participates actively in Project PALMS for math and science
- offers school-based counseling and health services with the support of Boston Children's Services
- teaches students that "Saving Makes Cents"
- has a full-time library program, yearly book fairs, and reading incentives.
- collaborates with Boston Partners in Education in a read aloud program



and a tutoring program for grade 1 students

- is a well-maintained, modified open-space school, with a modern gym.

Students who live in the East Zone can also apply for three citywide elementary schools: the Hernandez (Kindergarten-grade 8), Mission Hill School (Kindergarten-grade 5), and Young Achievers (Kindergarten-grade 4). Please see pages 11-12.

East Zone Middle Schools

Cleveland Middle School

11 Charles Street, Dorchester

José Duarte, Principal

☎ 635-8631 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Cleveland School...

- is in Fields Corner, across from the MBTA station
- has 725 students in grades 6-8
- is a Visual & Performing Arts Theme School, offering day and after school arts programs
- uses the arts as a vehicle for teaching and learning
- offers full-time student support services with individual and group counseling through many community agencies

- includes grade level inclusion programs, a full inclusion program, a Spanish bilingual program, and traditional curriculum programs
- offers small class size
- disciplines students fairly and consistently
- maintains partnerships with the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston Symphony Orchestra, Berklee School of Music, Boston Ballet, Labouré Center, Boston College, McDonald's, and BankBoston.

Gavin Middle School

215 Dorchester Street,

South Boston

Joseph Lee, Principal

☎ 635-8817 Hours: 7:30-1:30

The Gavin School...

- is located near Andrew Square
- has 555 students in grades 6-8
- is a Carnegie Turning Points School
- is totally handicap-accessible and has Multiple Handicap programs
- is clustered to include all students in smaller classes
- has a JFK Library Corp
- offers after school remediation programs for students who need extra help
- is the originator of the Student Support Team concept for providing services
- is partners with Gillette Co.
- has established a dress code.

Sarah Greenwood Elementary & Middle School

189 Glenway Street, Dorchester

Isabel Méndez, Principal

☎ 635-8710 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Sarah Greenwood School is open to students in Kindergarten-grade 8 who live in the East Zone. Please see page 15.

The Harbor School

An Expeditionary Learning Center at the Walter Denney Youth Center, Dorchester

Scott Hartl, Project Director

☎ 576-1260 x 19 Hours: 7:30-2:30

The Harbor School is a new "pilot" school, opening in August 1997. It will...

- be housed in the Walter Denney Youth Center at the Harbor Point Community, and collaborate with their after school enrichment program
- open with 60 students in grade 6, and grow one grade a year to serve grades 6-8 in a small school of approximately 180 students
- create a safe environment for students that focuses on academic rigor, character development, community service, and fitness
- build strong academic skills and provide opportunities for students to apply and develop them through real-life projects
- maintain a student to teacher ratio of 20 to 1
- create strong relationships between students and teachers: Each entering class will work with the same team of teachers for three years
- work closely with parents and community, including parents as an integral part of the school governance structure
- use the academic and athletic facilities of nearby UMass-Boston
- feature a whole-school chorus
- bring resources and a focus on excellence to the school through strong partnerships with Harbor Point Community Task Force, UMass-Boston, Harvard Outward Bound Project, Northeastern U., Thompson Island Outward Bound Education Center, and Expeditionary Learning Outward Bound, a New American Schools design team.

Lewenberg Middle School

20 Outlook Road, Mattapan
Myrtle Mayfield, Principal
☎ 635-8623 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Lewenberg School...

- is in a well-kept, residential area, with beautifully landscaped grounds (thanks to students and parents)
- has 600 students in grades 6-8
- has won hundreds of awards, including the National Center of Excellence in the Language Arts Award, National School Safety Award, and National Reader's Digest Award
- features an award-winning staff, including six Golden Apple Award winners and three National Reader's Digest Award winners
- offers an outstanding curriculum designed and implemented to increase academic achievement
- uses cooperative learning to foster learning and negotiation skills, teamwork, and individual decision-making
- emphasizes reading and writing in all subjects
- offers an innovative Haitian bilingual program
- offers French, art, music, sewing, and cooking
- collaborates on programs with more than thirty agencies and organizations
- has partnerships with IBM, Lesley College, and Turning Points
- houses Project Adventure and Expeditionary Learning, where students learn to trust in themselves and each other, to value teamwork, to relate to diversity, and to achieve academically, socially, and psychologically.

McCormack Middle School

315 Mt. Vernon Street, Dorchester
Robert Martin Jr., Principal
☎ 635-8657 Hours: 7:30-1:30

The McCormack School...

- is near Harbor Point
- has 700 students in grades 6-8
- has been cited three times for excellence by the State Department of Education
- has a very active partnership with BankBoston, which provides many programs, achievement awards, free books, computers, mentors, and tutors
- works with the Kennedy Library, the Kennedy Library Corps, and UMass Urban Scholars
- has six computer labs, with more than 175 computers
- offers a Science Lab program for grades 7 and 8, with trips to Boston Harbor to study marine biology
- has a Friday Activity Period during which students can do crafts, play Scrabble and chess, and more
- has student awards ceremonies, chorus, and band
- offers after school tutoring and activities
- has the McCormack Kids Summer Institute at UMass-Boston and evening programs for parents
- has a residency program with the Alvin Ailey and Paul Taylor dance companies, Arts in Progress, and Project Discovery; and three trips per child to the Museum of Fine Arts.

Rogers Middle School

15 Everett Street, Hyde Park
Michael A. McCarthy, Principal
☎ 635-8700 Hours: 7:30-1:30

The Rogers School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, off Cleary Square

- has 670 students in grades 6-8
- has a Vietnamese bilingu. ' program
- clusters students with a team of teachers
- has a technology wing and a communications theme
- offers performing arts, a school chorus, and a current events program
- is partners with Curry College and the Hyde Park Branch Library
- has after school enrichment and athletics
- has a school book store
- has had recent renovations.

Thompson Middle School

100 Maxwell Street, Dorchester
Ronald Spratling, Principal
☎ 635-8764 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Thompson School...

- is in a residential area, near the intersection of Gallivan Boulevard and Morton Street
- has 400 students in grades 6-8
- takes pride in being a small school where staff know and nurture students
- emphasizes the attitude, "College is for me!"
- offers college preparatory courses for all students: French, algebra, and computer usage
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grade 6
- is organized so that teachers can plan and develop lessons together
- finished in second place in the citywide National Academic League
- offers after school sports, clubs, leagues, tutoring, and other activities
- is partners with Citizens Bank, Talent Search, and the Urban League
- teaches reading in all classes, even math and science
- has been recently refurbished.

**Wilson Middle School**

18 Croftland Avenue, Dorchester
Rosalyn Browne, Principal

☎ 635-8827 Hours: 7:30-1:30

The Wilson School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, two blocks from Ashmont Station
- has 570 students in grade 6-8
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grade 6
- clusters students in small teams for all academic subjects
- provides tutoring, mentoring, counseling, peer mediation, and after school sports and recreation
- uses telecommunications to teach math and science
- has four computer labs and two satellite communications systems
- received the Secretary of Education's Award for Improved Parental Involvement
- offers mentoring and tutoring programs with Harvard Business School, Boston College, and Bowdoin College
- trains students in violence prevention and peer leadership
- is Boston's only middle school to pilot a school-to-work model
- offers college preparatory courses at UMass-Boston and a pre-engineering program
- is partners with Mitre Corporation
- has a family center open during the day
- has won several grants for school reform
- just had a \$1 million modernization.

Students who live in the East Zone can also apply for three citywide middle schools: Hernandez (Kindergarten-grade 8), M. L. King Jr. (grades 6-8), and Timilty (grades 6-8). Please see pages 11-12.

North Zone Elementary Schools

Adams Elementary School

165 Webster Street, East Boston
Philip Marino, Principal

☎ 635-8383 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Adams School...

- is in a residential neighborhood near Maverick Square, overlooking Boston Harbor and the skyline
- has 350 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a computer lab and Computer Club
- has a video team for news programs and special events
- reaches out to the community through Community Service Learning
- has four Lead Teachers—tops in their profession—and two trained community service learning teachers
- is creating a Women's Heritage Trail in East Boston
- provides art and music programs
- offers Title I math and reading
- offers substance abuse workshops for parents
- works with the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center
- has recently been renovated.

Alighieri Elementary School

37 Gove Street, East Boston
John Gillis, Principal

☎ 635-8529 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Alighieri School...

- is a small, friendly school near Maverick Square
- has 200 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses both Whole Language and phonics to teach reading
- has Reading is Fundamental/RIF and Books-and-Beyond programs to develop a love for reading
- has IBM Writing-To-Read and Apple computer labs
- has a parent center
- often visits and performs at the nearby Lyman Elderly Apartments
- has strong pairings with the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, Kiwanis, Northeastern and Boston University medical schools, Boston Police, the Chamber of Commerce, MassPort, East Boston District Court, Wheelock College, Boston Ballet, and Gillette retirees
- is a clean school, newly painted, with modern lighting, new roof, and newly finished wood floors.

Baldwin Elementary School

121 Corey Road, Brighton
Suzanne Lee, Principal

☎ 635-8460 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Baldwin School...

- is close to Brookline, in a diverse and pleasant neighborhood
- has 300 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses the Writing-to-Read program in first grade
- has an extensive partnership with Boston College, where we hold our Junior Olympic Day
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School

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- works with Foster Grandparents for friendship and tutoring
- offers support services for students experiencing difficulties
- has arts, gym, and computer classes
- has an active school site council
- offers English as a Second Language
- works on character development through the Humane Society's Operation Outreach: Each student will receive two books a year for five years
- has just been renovated, with new windows and fences — and has three beautiful greenhouse windows and a "green" outdoor area where students learn how to garden.

Blackstone Elementary School

380 Shawmut Avenue, Boston

Frida Rodríguez, Principal

☎ 635-8471 Hours: 9:25-3:15

The Blackstone School...

- is located in a multi-ethnic neighborhood in the South End
- has 975 students in Early Childhood-grade 5
- offers Early Childhood programs for special needs three and four-year-olds as well as for multi-handicapped children
- has a Spanish bilingual program
- uses team teaching and plans lessons around central themes and goals
- offers after school tutoring in reading and math
- has a before school Citizens in Training Group (CTG) for grades 4 and 5

- has a parent center for workshops, special activities, and meetings
- offers swimming, gym, art, music, and theater arts
- has three computer labs: WICAT, Writing-To-Read, and IBM
- has a choir for grades 4-5
- uses the Cumulative Writing Folder system to teach writing to students in grades 1-5
- participates in Boston Ballet's City Dance program for grade 3
- works hard to improve student reading through our Reading Recovery program, early literacy program, Reading Calendar, and Drop Everything And Read (DEAR)
- has over 50 volunteers who provide weekly mentoring, reading services, and classroom support for teachers
- has a choir for grades 3-5.

North Zone Schools





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Bradley Elementary School

10 Beachview Road, East Boston
Robert Lyons, Principal
☎ 635-8422 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Bradley School...

- is in the residential area of Orient Heights
- has 350 children in Kindergarten-grade 5
- offers an Early Childhood Program
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5
- uses the Integrated Learning System (computer assisted instruction) in a newly equipped Macintosh lab for grades 1-5
- has a Logan Airport career awareness program, developed in partnership with Massport, for grades 4-5
- emphasizes strong writing skills, using word processing and the Cumulative Writing Folder in grades 2-5
- offers ballet lessons through the Boston Ballet City Dance program for selected children in grades 3-5 (and beyond, for students chosen for advanced instruction): One of our fourth graders recently danced in Boston Baller's "The Nutcracker" • is paired with Northeastern University and Salem State College as a site to train student teachers.

Early Learning Center/North

at the Jackson/Mann School
40 Armington Street, Allston
Ellen Lee McCarthy, Director
☎ 635-8409 Hours: 7:30-6:00

The North Zone Early Learning Center...

- is located in the Jackson/Mann complex, a large, modern school in

Union Square

- has 100 students from age 3 to grade 1
- offers a full day program, plus *free* before and after school care from as early as 7:30 A.M. to as late as 6:00 P.M.
- integrates students with special needs and regular education students in all classes
- has small classes and a developmental curriculum which nurtures young children
- offers science, music, and physical education
- has computers in all classrooms
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- mentors student teachers from Boston University and Wheelock College
- is a work study site for Boston University
- uses the Jackson/Mann's library, large gymnasium, and cafeteria.

Eliot Elementary School

16 Charter Street, Boston
Sonia Diaz Salcedo, Principal
☎ 635-8545 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Eliot School...

- is located in the North End, on the Freedom Trail, and traces its beginnings to 1713
- has 240 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses nearby resources: We can *walk* to the Paul Revere House, Museum of Science, Computer Museum, Children's Museum, New England Aquarium, Old State House, and Old North Church
- is partners with the Berkshire Group
- brings in performers such as the Brown Bag Opera, Young Audiences, and the Boston Opera Company
- participates in community-based

- programs such as Know Your Neighborhood and American History (Revolutionary War) Studies
- belongs to the Boston Music Education Collaborative
- has a mentor program
- is applying for membership in Brown University's Coalition of Essential Schools
- has a fully equipped, state-of-the-art Macintosh computer lab.

Emerson Elementary School

6 Shirley Road, Roxbury
Robert Salamone, Principal
☎ 635-8507 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Emerson School...

- is in an established family neighborhood, near St. Patrick's Church
- has 300 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- provides a safe, secure, nurturing environment where a positive self-concept is recognized as the foundation for success in life
- has one of the highest student attendance rates in the city
- offers a Cape Verdean bilingual program with many cross-cultural experiences
- has an after school enrichment and remediation program
- has a Computer Club and chorus
- is a teacher training site for local colleges and universities
- offers individual and family counseling
- collaborates with many local cultural agencies: Strand Theatre, Brown Bag Opera, New England Opera Company, Arts in Progress, Cantata Singers, and others
- collaborates with neighborhood groups such as the Shirley-Eustis House and Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative.

Farragut Elementary School

10 Fenwood Road, Boston

Charles Ray, Principal

☎ 635-8450 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Farragut School...

- is in an historic area off Huntington Ave., near Brigham Circle
- has 275 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has high expectations for all its students
- offers parents the option of the same teacher for grades 4-5
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5
- has an optional uniform policy
- has a full-time physical education teacher
- has an active computer class
- offers "Making Music": free instrumental music lessons with teachers from Boston University
- is partners with the Children's Hospital Dental Program, New England Baptist Hospital, Gardner Museum, and Museum of Fine Arts
- offers Spanish and French language instruction.

Gardner Elementary School

30 Athol Street, Allston

Catalina Montes, Principal

☎ 635-8365 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Gardner School...

- is in an established neighborhood
- has 510 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a Spanish bilingual program and English as a Second Language
- uses the Success Maker computer integrated learning system in all grades
- has an after school program
- is part of the Boston Music Education Collaborative (grades 1-5)
- has a Reading at Home program
- hosts live performances by the

Handel & Haydn Society and others

- gets student teachers and interns from Boston College and Boston University
- works with Mass. Audubon Society for nature walks and animal experiences
- is partners with McNamara House, Boston Partners in Education, Genzyme Corporation, and Computer Curriculum Corp. (CCC)
- offers in-school counseling with Allston-Brighton Mental Health Clinic
- offers gym classes at Boston University and gets mentors and tutors from Harvard Business School
- teaches violence prevention in all grades and hosts an annual Violence Prevention March
- has a full-time nurse
- hosts Student of the Month breakfasts with the principal
- has two playgrounds: one for younger and one for older students
- was renovated in 1993.

Garfield Elementary School

95 Beechcroft Street, Brighton

Victoria Megias-Batista, Principal

☎ 635-8351 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The Garfield School...

- is in Faneuil Square, near Brighton Center
- has 370 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- keeps a Writing Folder for every student in grades 2-5
- uses Books and Beyond, Writing-to-Read, Jostens, Children's Writing and Publishing, Computer Curriculum Corp. (CCC), and other reading and writing programs
- offers before and after school programs
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School

- provides counseling from Allston-Brighton Health Center
- includes special education students in regular education classrooms to increase their self-esteem and learning
- is a schoolwide Title I school
- uses team teaching during reading classes
- is wired to the Internet and is bringing technology to each classroom
- has three EM-MAT (Elementary & Middle Math & Technology) teachers, who enhance the math curriculum every year
- explores new approaches to science, math, and technology
- is training its teachers in the Whole Language philosophy of teaching reading and writing
- praises diversity and has great expectations for all our students.

Guild Elementary School

195 Leyden Street, East Boston

Simon Ho, Principal

☎ 635-8523 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Guild School...

- is in Orient Heights on the Blue Line
- has over 240 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- includes special education students in the regular classroom, with smaller class sizes
- offers a Chinese bilingual program in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a before school program offering enrichment and computer activities
- has a Writing-To-Read computer lab to help primary grade students improve their writing skills
- offers all students computer, physical education, music, and arts lessons each week
- scores above the national average in reading and math in grades 3 and 5



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- teaches math concepts through “hands-on” materials and other new methods
- has Peace Games volunteers working with students to create safe school communities
- offers Mandarin language instruction to Kindergarten and grade 3
- collaborates with Tufts University to provide professional development for staff
- has ESL classes for parents, and “classroom parents” to keep all parents informed.

Hamilton Elementary School

198 Strathmore Road, Brighton

John Molloy, Principal

☎ 635-8388 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Hamilton School...

- is near Cleveland Circle, on the Brookline border
- has 250 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a before school program
- has a Writing-to-Read Computer Center
- reflects the diversity of the city, with students from 20 countries and cultures
- offers physical education through Boston University
- has tutors from Boston University, Boston College, Boston Partners in Education, and Foster Grandparents
- has a parent center.

Harvard/Kent Elementary School

50 Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown

Jack Halloran, Principal

☎ 635-8358 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Harvard/Kent School...

- is located in a residential neighborhood, at the Bunker Hill Monument on the Freedom Trail
- has 600 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- features an award-winning staff, including Golden Apple Award and private foundation winners
- takes pride in being diverse, determined, and dynamic
- has a warm and caring atmosphere
- has state-of-the-art programs for beginning readers
- has three IBM computer labs, and many Macintosh computers in classrooms
- uses computers and “hands-on” materials every day to practice math and science
- offers English as a Second Language for parents
- collaborates with lots of museums: Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Science, New England Aquarium, Peabody Museum, Children’s Museum, and Computer Museum
- addresses the complex issues of violence through Peace Games
- is partners with Tufts University, Center for Applied Special Technology, Boston Community Music Center, Mitsubishi Electric, and Scudder, Stevens & Clarke Financial Services, which provide direct services to students and staff
- has a City Year team working in our classrooms
- is a bright, beautifully designed school, in “first-class” condition.

Hurley Elementary School

70 Worcester Street, Boston

Nora E. Pou, Principal

☎ 635-8489 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Hurley School...

- is a small, attractive, well-maintained school in the South End, near Symphony Hall
- has 350 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- offers a two-way bilingual program in Kindergarten-grade 5, where students learn together in Spanish and English: Parents must indicate their interest in this program on the registration form
- teaches science and math “hands-on”
- has a Parent Center and parent volunteers
- offers a schoolwide writing program and a home/school reading awareness program
- has full-time computer and physical education teachers
- has before and after school programs
- participates in Boston Ballet City Dance, and offers chess lessons
- is partners with Boston University, City Mission Society/Artist in Residence Program, Copley Place, Neiman Marcus, Northeastern University, South End Clinic, and Peat Marwick
- has a poet and other artists who work with students every week
- has a Student Support Team
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School, and has received several other major grants.

Jackson/ Mann Elementary School

40 Armington Street, Allston

Joanne Collins Russell, Principal

☎ 635-8532 Hours: 7:35-1:25

The Jackson/Mann School...

- is a large, modern school in Union Square

- has 710 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a Student Support team
- is pioneering the concept of full integration of special needs students through a Vanguard Grant
- uses computer-assisted instruction widely
- provides an effective program for Vietnamese bilingual students
- offers arts, foreign language, science, and physical education classes
- collaborates with Boston University and Wheelock College for mentoring, math, and science
- is a Professional Development Center for Boston University and Wheelock College
- enjoys a strong business partnership with Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., and works with Young Audiences, Weston High School, and Allston-Brighton Mental Health Center
- offers before and after school care through the Jackson/Mann Community Center.

P. J. Kennedy Elementary School

343 Saratoga Street, East Boston
Eugene Ellis, Principal

☎ 635-8466 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Patrick Kennedy School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Day Square
- has 330 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a state-of-the-art Macintosh computer lab
- uses an interactive beginning literacy system in our Title I program
- has award-winning art and computer programs
- holds a monthly book swap and an annual Science Fair
- has four Lead Teachers, tops in their profession
- publishes a school newspaper and a weekly parent newsletter
- extends reading to the home through

Books and Beyond

- pairs Kindergarten and grade 4 students for reading practice
- offers counseling and mentoring
- donates student-made books and calendars to hospitals and nursing homes
- is newly renovated and looks great.

Lyon Elementary School

50 Beechcroft Street, Brighton
Mary Nash, Principal

☎ 635-7945 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Lyon School...

- is located on a residential street between Brighton Center and Oak Square
- has 90 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- offers a before and after school program
- fully integrates 30 special needs students with 60 regular education students in six classes of 15 students: All teachers hold Master's degrees and are certified in both regular and special education
- staffs each class with a teacher and an assistant
- has the highest staff attendance rate in the city
- has been over-chosen by parents since 1993
- has won many awards and is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- has partnerships with Boston College, Wheelock College, and Walker School.

Mason Elementary School

150 Norfolk Avenue, Roxbury
Mary Russo, Principal

☎ 635-8405 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Mason School...

- is located across from a park in the Newmarket area

- has 270 students from age 3 to grade 5
- offers a full-day Early Childhood program for ages 3 and 4, with free afternoon surround care
- twice won the City Management Excellence Award
- was cited by the U. S. Dept. of Education for its exemplary Title I reading program in 1995 & 1996
- has small class sizes and a teacher's aid in each classroom
- is a state demonstration site for Accelerated Schools, challenging students to go beyond "normally" expected schoolwork
- gives parents a choice of teachers
- offers the innovative "Mason Way" reading program for grades 1-2 and Reading Recovery in grade 1
- uses "learning-by-doing" in math and science and has computers in every classroom
- offers an intensive reading and writing program for Kindergarten
- has before and after school programs and a 6-week, full-day summer academic program
- schedules three individual parent conferences a year
- offers swimming, French, fencing lessons, music, art, and theatre
- is partners with John Hancock Financial Services, Newmarket Business Assoc., Boston Parks & Recreation, Boston Community Centers, Boston College, City Year, Harvard School of Education, and Wheelock College
- has on-site counseling for children and families
- has recently had a \$1.4 million renovation.

**McKay Elementary & Middle School**

122 Cottage Street, East Boston

Ronald Jackson, Principal

☎ 635-8510 Hours: 9:15-3:05

The McKay School...

- is in a residential neighborhood near the Callahan Tunnel
- is an elementary and a middle school, with 670 students in Kindergarten-grade 8
- has before and after school programs, with activities to improve writing and social skills through East Boston Leaders in Tobacco Education (ELITE)
- has active partnerships with Cabot Corp. and Boston Children's Services
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- offers Spanish bilingual classes in Kindergarten-grade 5
- helps bilingual students in grades 1 and 2 improve reading skills through science with Project SCHEMA
- uses music to enhance education through the Boston Music Education Collaborative
- uses "efficacy" training for staff to support the belief that all children can learn
- provides many opportunities for parent education and involvement
- focuses on increasing self-esteem and school performance among girls
- teaches students to resolve conflicts peacefully.

O'Donnell Elementary School

33 Trenton Street, East Boston

John Waggett, Principal

☎ 635-8454 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The O'Donnell School...

- is near Central Square, between the Umana/Barnes and East Boston High School
- has 350 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a 21st century technology plan: 74 computers in a new Macintosh lab, connection to a reading and math network, a writing and reading lab, and Internet access
- has a program during and after school with East Boston Harborside Community Center
- offers a reading tutorial program with the Harborside Afterschool Program
- offers many ways to support students academically and socially: schoolwide Title I, tutoring, ESL, a special education reading project, writing folders, Voices of Love and Freedom, and new ways of measuring achievement
- has partnerships and projects with other East Boston schools, Eastern Gas, Browne Fund, Executive Service Corps, Boston Private Industry Council, Boston Police and Fire departments, North Suffolk Counselling Center, East Boston Health Center, Boston Ballet, and Museum of Fine Arts
- has a great new playground and landscaped schoolyard.

Otis Elementary School

218 Marion Street, East Boston

Thomas Connelly, Principal

☎ 635-8372 Hours: 9:25-3:15

The Otis School...

- is located between Maverick Square and Day Square

- has over 425 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has bilingual programs for Kindergarten-grade 5 in Spanish and Portuguese
- has a multilingual teaching staff
- has at least three computers in every classroom
- has a new before school program
- offers instruction in art, music, and language in a totally integrated, multicultural environment
- offers a family counseling program for grade 4
- maintains active partnerships with Johnson & Higgins, Wheelock College, UMass-Boston, and Boston College through their student teaching programs
- has a parent learning center and strong parent involvement through parent councils in English, Spanish, and Portuguese
- fosters an environment that reflects the joy of teaching and learning, created by a highly professional faculty and well-mannered children.

Quincy Elementary School

885 Washington Street, Boston

Bak Fun Wong, Principal

☎ 635-8497 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Quincy School...

- is a bright, modern school in Chinatown
- has over 900 beautiful students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- plans to open a new "pilot" Upper School in 1997 for grade 6 at another location
- has a Chinese bilingual program
- won an Excellence in Education Award from the U. S. Dept. of Education
- uses traditional and new teaching methods in recognition of the many learning styles of our students
- features academic

- departmentalization in grades 4-5
- pioneers the use of technology to prepare our students for the 21st century
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5
- has after school clubs, marching band, concert chorus, African-American and Asian-American dance troupes, School Olympics, and more
- has partnerships with BankBoston, New England Medical Center, Suffolk University, and American Management Systems
- distributes a monthly parent newsletter and curriculum updates so parents know what their child is learning
- occupies a complex with two swimming pools, rooftop play decks, gym, auditorium, community center, and health center.

Tobin Elementary & Middle School

40 Smith Street, Roxbury

Janet Short, Principal

☎ 635-8393 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The Tobin School...

- is located on Mission Hill, behind Mission Church and the library
- is an elementary and a middle school, with 570 students in Kindergarten-grade 8
- has traditional, self-contained classrooms for Kindergarten-grade 5
- is a Visual & Performing Arts Theme School, offering: after school classes in theater, arts and music; guest artists and performances, including an Alvin Ailey Dance Residency; schoolwide productions of "The Nutcracker" and a spring musical; and more
- publishes student writing through the Teddy Tobin Writing Project
- has partnerships with Brigham & Women's Hospital, Northeastern

- University, Harvard School of Public Health, and the Tobin Community Center
- provides Northeastern University scholarships to qualified graduates
- provides counseling and social services on-site
- has the Tobin School Family Support Program, with a Family Center, Family Coordinator, Parenting Partners, Family Exchange, and family learning programs
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- has won many grants and awards.

Warren/Prescott Elementary School

50 School Street, Charlestown

Domenic Amara, Principal

☎ 635-8346 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Warren/Prescott School...

- is a friendly school located in a residential neighborhood near the Bunker Hill Monument
- has 445 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- offers physical education, art, music, and computer
- has a student support team
- has professional development programs with Simmons College, MIT, and Wheelock College
- uses the facilities of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club
- is partners with Thompson Financial, which provides 20 volunteers for reading
- works with the MENTOR Counseling Services and Bunker Hill Health Center
- has a special education program, including L/AB and autistic classes
- produces four school plays and other presentations each year
- has many programs to encourage and improve reading
- has a brand-new playground.

Winship Elementary School

54 Dighton Street, Brighton

Antônio Barbosa, Principal

☎ 635-8399 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Winship School...

- is located in a multicultural neighborhood near Brighton Center
- has 400 students in Early Childhood (ages 3-5)-grade 5
- has a Spanish bilingual program
- uses literature-based reading programs in English and Spanish that incorporate thematic, integrated instruction with a variety of materials and strategies
- emphasizes writing, beginning in Kindergarten
- teaches math using National Council of Teachers of Mathematics pre-algebra activities and computers
- participates in an innovative science program, Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE)
- is on the Internet
- invites children to sing, create, and learn about music from a multicultural perspective
- offers Title I support services in ESL, reading, native language, and Reading Recovery
- has a busy library, with storytelling and research projects
- promotes inclusion of special needs students in regular classrooms
- is partners with many area colleges and agencies, and with Deaconess Hospital for professional development and classroom activities
- has a Parent Center Book Swap
- offers Girl Scouting for grades 1-5.



Winthrop Elementary School

35 Brookford Street, Dorchester

Stanley Swartz, Principal

☎ 635-8379 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Winthrop School...

- is in a residential area off Blue Hill Avenue
- has 300 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has consistently scored above the national average and is among the top ranking Boston elementary schools on citywide, standardized reading and math tests
- is traditionally structured, in self-contained classrooms, with emphasis on discipline and high academic and social standards in a nurturing environment
- has an outstanding early childhood program emphasizing individual development
- offers Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4 and 5
- has a computer lab, as well as computers and Internet access in many classrooms
- values a strong link between parents and the school
- has received grants from the National Science Foundation and has partnerships for science with Wheelock College and Arnold Arboretum
- is newly renovated, bright, and cheerful.

Students who live in the North Zone can also apply for three citywide elementary schools: the Hernandez (Kindergarten-grade 8), Mission Hill School (Kindergarten-grade 5), and Young Achievers (Kindergarten-grade 4). Please see pages 11-12.

NORTHZONE MIDDLE SCHOOLS

North Zone Middle Schools

Dearborn Middle School

35 Greenville Street, Roxbury

John Shields, Principal

☎ 635-8412 Hours: 7:30-3:10
(12:45 on Fri.)

The Dearborn School...

- is located in a residential area near Dudley Square, in the former Roxbury High School building
- has 445 students in grades 6-8
- offers Project Promise, an extended day program that has won several awards, including the Freedom Foundation George Washington Medal
- clusters each grade with a team of teachers
- has a multimedia library and two computer labs
- has a Cape Verdean bilingual program
- offers Advanced Work Classes for eligible students in grade 6
- provides Algebra I in grade 8
- collaborates with Northeastern University for math and science enrichment
- provides "hands-on" projects in the science lab
- offers school and community based counseling
- offers chorus, orchestra, after school sports, peer leadership, pen pals, mentoring, tutoring, and student support services
- has business partnerships with Federal Reserve Bank and Fallon Hines & O'Connor

- sponsors career awareness programs
- has received a Schoolyard Initiative Grant for schoolyard landscaping.

Edison Middle School

60 Glenmont Road, Brighton

Elliot Stern, Principal

☎ 635-8436 Hours: 7:30-1:30

The Edison School...

- is in a beautiful, residential area, near St. John's Seminary
- has 700 students in grades 6-8
- clusters students in mini-schools with a team of teachers who meet daily to plan together and talk with parents
- has Peer Mediation and Mock Trial programs
- offers after school programs: tutoring, preparation for the test for admission to Boston's examination schools, group sports, chess, computers... and snacks!
- integrates bilingual and special needs students in all mini-schools
- has computer drafting and design; and IBM and Macintosh computer labs
- is partners with Boston University, Boston College, Work/Family Directions, and the Harvard School of Public Health for mentors, instrumental music lessons, and tutoring
- teaches using themes and cooperative learning to encourage students to be critical thinkers and active learners
- uses larger block teaching times which combine social studies, English, reading, math, and science.

Edwards Middle School

28 Walker Street, Charlestown
Charles McAfee, Principal
☎ 635-8516 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Edwards School...

- is three blocks from the Bunker Hill Mall
- has 500 students in grades 6-8
- has a Chinese bilingual program
- uses computers and technology in the library for research and Internet access
- clusters students by grade, with special needs and bilingual students in all clusters
- offers lots of support services through Harvard interns, Boston University, Bunker Hill Community Health Center psychologists, Big Sisters program, South End Community Health Center, and Boston Police
- is an active partner with Keane Corporation, Citizens Bank, and three schools of education: Boston University, Harvard, and Simmons
- offers a chorus and after school academics and sports, including research skills, tutoring, board games, basketball, track, flag football, and ping pong
- has an annual schoolwide science fair: *Every* student does a project
- explores careers, with guest speakers and a Career Day
- encourages students to "Stay in School," with support from McDonald's, the NBA, and Sports Museum.

McKay Elementary & Middle School

122 Cottage Street, East Boston
Ronald Jackson, Principal
☎ 635-8510 Hours: 9:15-3:05

The McKay School is open to students in Kindergarten-grade 8 who live in the North Zone. Please see page 28.

Quincy Upper School

Downtown site to be announced
Bak Fun Wong, Principal
☎ 635-8497 Hours: 8:30-4:30

The Quincy Upper School is a new "pilot" school for grades 6-12. It is scheduled to open in August 1997, contingent on securing a site. It will...

- be located in the downtown area
- enroll 150 students in grade 6, and expand one grade per year
- give preference for admission to students currently enrolled in the Quincy Elementary School: Any remaining seats will be available to North Zone students through the "controlled choice" student assignment plan
- create the only unified K-12 school in the Boston Public Schools
- continue the mission, culture, and climate of the Quincy K-5 school
- be organized in four "pavillions": *Information* for science, math and technology; *Cultural*, developing historical and cultural sensitivities; *Pathfinding*, encouraging individual expression and exploring 21st century issues; and *Renewal*, focusing on mental, physical and emotional health
- offer Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grade 6
- offer an extended day program
- feature family contracts requiring parent involvement, parent education, and student compliance with the Code of Conduct.

Taft Middle School

20 Warren Street, Brighton
Irene McCarthy, Principal
☎ 635-8428 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Taft School...

- has 525 students (from 40 countries!) in grades 6-8
- clusters students with teaching teams

for personal attention

- is well known for its top-notch computer technology and instruction
- has four computer labs, a new Computer Learning Center, and computers in every classroom
- has a Chinese bilingual program
- is a full inclusion school, with special needs and regular education students learning together
- offers lots of electives, including French, art, and media technology
- works with the Gardner Museum, the Museum of Science, Kids to College, and Voyages in Learning
- is partners with the Harvard School of Education and Harvard School of Business for Saturday morning sports, mentors, tutors, and pen pals; and with WGBH/Channel 2, Boston College, and the Boston University Consortium.

Tobin Elementary & Middle School

40 Smith Street, Roxbury
Janet Short, Principal
☎ 635-8393 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The Tobin School is open to students in Kindergarten-grade 8 who live in the North Zone. Please see page 29.

Umana/Barnes Middle School

312 Border Street, East Boston
Richard D. O'Neil, Principal
☎ 635-8481 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Umana/Barnes School...

- is attractive and modern, near Boston Harbor
- has 850 students in grades 6-8
- clusters students with a team of five or more teachers
- offers many electives: computers, art, home economics, theater arts, and physical education
- encourages children with special needs to participate in the Special



Olympics

- works with MIT, Mass. College of Pharmacy, Museum of Science, UMass-Boston, and the Harvard-Smithsonian Center
- offers Portuguese and Spanish bilingual programs
- enrolls 50-60 grade 7 students from across the city in the PAL alternative program
- encourages all students to join the school's Water Safety program
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School, and has received grants for special education, math, science, and technology.

Students who live in the North Zone can also apply for three citywide middle schools: Hernandez (Kindergarten-grade 8), M. L. King Jr. (grades 6-8), and Timilty (grades 6-8). Please see pages 11-12.

West Zone Elementary Schools

Agassiz Elementary School

20 Child Street, Jamaica Plain
Alfredo Nuñez, Principal

☎ 635-8198 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Agassiz School...

- is off South Street, near Forest Hills
- has 850 students in Kindergarten-grade 5

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- uses thematic teaching, weaving a theme through all subjects
- requires every student to keep a journal
- has a multicultural curriculum, with art, music, dance, literature, and guest artists from all over the world
- uses the "outdoor classroom"—the Agassiz Arboleda—and has an environmental science program that pairs high school students with second graders
- has two before school programs: one available to everyone, and ALERTA for selected students
- is wired throughout for the Internet
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- has been spruced up by parents, with an orchard, teaching gardens, and playground.

Bates Elementary School

426 Beech Street, Roslindale
Catherine James, Principal

☎ 635-8064 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Bates School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Roslindale Square
- has 350 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses Whole Language, Guided Novel Reading, and a home reading program to reinforce the new citywide learning standards
- has two before school programs: One offers tutoring for at-risk students, and the other offers indoor and outdoor activities
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4-5
- uses a "hands-on" approach for math, science, and computer
- awards monthly certificates to promote self-esteem and recognize individual achievements
- uses creative arts to learn about Boston's many cultures and

traditions

- uses schoolwide thematic units to unify the curriculum
- publishes a school newspaper
- has tutors from Boston Partners in Education
- has a parent center and strong parent involvement
- was a finalist in Barnes & Noble's "Brainquest" competition
- has "Mind & Body" workshops for students, parents, and staff.

Beethoven Elementary School

5125 Washington Street,
West Roxbury

James E. Kirk, Principal

☎ 635-8149 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Beethoven School...

- is in a suburban setting, not far from the Dedham Mall
- has 350 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has specialists in music, art, physical education, and computers
- features a state-of-the-art computer lab and a schoolwide computer network with access to the Internet
- has a large auditorium for music and physical education
- offers an enrichment program for talented and gifted students in grades 2-5
- is a member of the Accelerated Schools Network, with high expectations for all students
- promotes writing as a major curriculum focus
- has a parent center
- features a parent-organized Home Reading Program for grades 1-5
- has partnerships with Boston Community Services, Xerox, Curry College, Arnold Arboretum, and the West Roxbury Civic & Improvement Association
- has a fantastic new community playground.

Conley Elementary School

450 Poplar Street, Roslindale

James F. Daly, Principal

☎ 635-8099 Hours: 9:15-3:05

The Conley School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, on the Hyde Park border
- has 275 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a computer lab
- works with the Boy Scouts of America
- takes part in Reading is Fundamental/RIF, Literature is Tops, and drug education programs
- works with the Museum of Science, the Museum of Fine Arts, the Boston Globe Current Events series, the National Science Foundation, National Football League, Lifespan

Inc., and Family Services of Greater Boston

- has a schoolwide pilot program, "I Am a Good Person," to improve self-esteem
- trains student teachers from Curry College and UMass-Boston.

J. M. Curley Elementary School

40 Pershing Road, Jamaica Plain

Kathleen Armstrong, Principal

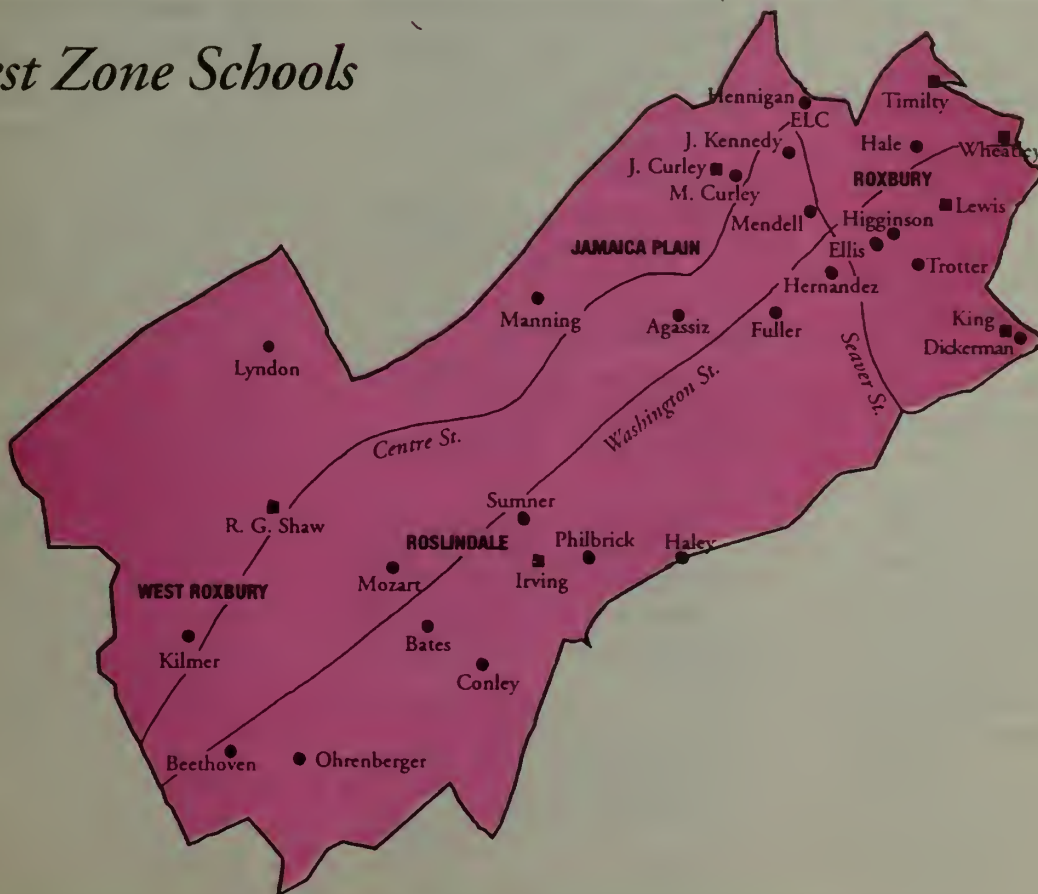
☎ 635-8239 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The James M. Curley School...

- is located on a tree-lined residential street, near the Jamaica Plain business district
- has 340 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- offers a safe and exciting learning environment for all its students

- has a parent-organized before school program
- has a fully equipped computer lab for writing, plus two more computer centers
- is a Title 1 school
- has partnerships with many local businesses, agencies, and universities
- has "Discovery," a unique, literature-based thematic program in small classes (about 14 students) for an hour a day
- holds an annual science fair
- publishes a weekly bulletin, monthly calendar, classroom newsletters, an arts newspaper, a bi-monthly magazine, and *Curleycues* — a book of children's writing
- offers art and physical education to all students
- has active parent-teacher committees, and parent-sponsored

West Zone Schools





programs

- offers music lessons before school
- has two Reading Recovery teachers and literacy groups for grades 1 and 2
- emphasizes self-esteem and improved student performance
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- has a new playground built by parents, teachers, students, and community volunteers.

Dickerman Elementary School

206 Magnolia Street, Dorchester

Jessica Bolt, Principal

☎ 635-8253 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Dickerman School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Uphams Corner
- has 330 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a mentor program for students from the Mass. Housing Finance Agency, now entering its sixth year
- has Arts in Progress, Community Music Center, Young Audiences, and Literature is Tops programs
- believes parents are a valuable resource, and encourages them to visit the classroom or help the teacher
- has art, computers, and physical education for all classes
- has quarterly awards assemblies to build self-esteem
- was modernized in 1991, with warm colors, new windows, and sanded floors.

Early Learning Center/West

at the Hennigan School

200 Heath Street, Jamaica Plain

Valerie Gumes, Director

☎ 635-8275 Hours: 7:30-6:00

The West Zone Early Learning Center...

- is in a residential area, near the VA Hospital and Mission Hill
- has 125 students from age 4 to grade 1
- is a full day program for all students, from 8:15 A.M. to 2:15 P.M.
- also offers *free* before and after school care: Students can come as early as 7:30 A.M. and stay as late as 6:00 P.M.
- has a high teacher/pupil ratio and a curriculum geared to the unique learning needs of small children in a technology-rich environment
- works closely with parents
- has the Jumpstart tutoring program
- collaborates with the Community Music Center, Boston Institute for Art Therapies, MJT Dance Co., Wheelock College, and Northeastern and Boston universities
- is an alternative to more traditional Kindergarten and grade 1 classes.

Ellis Elementary School

302 Walnut Avenue, Roxbury

Carlos R. Gibb, Principal

☎ 635-8257 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Ellis School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Egleston Square, next door to the African-American Museum
- has 600 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4 and 5
- has a Spanish bilingual program and offers Spanish for English-speaking students
- uses the Josten's computer-

integrated math, reading, and language arts curriculum

- has IBM Writing to Read for Kindergarten and grade 1
- provides counseling and social services through Project Excel
- has an active library program, with storytelling, Internet lessons, and research projects
- offers performing arts with Boston Ballet and Art of Black Dance
- offers after school programs through the YMCA, UMass-Boston, ALERTA, and the Urban League
- has optional school uniforms, drama, and chorus
- uses team teaching and organizes teachers in grade-level teams to create interdisciplinary approaches to teaching
- has an innovative Community Service Learning curriculum.

Fuller Elementary School

25 Glen Road, Jamaica Plain

Robert J. McLaughlin, Principal

☎ 635-8221 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Fuller School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Green and Washington streets
- is a small school, with 250 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- offers Dramatic Arts and Young Authors for grades 3-4
- scores above the national average in all grades in both reading and math
- has a Macintosh computer lab, a telecommunications room, and computers in every room
- offers Computer Curriculum Corp. (CCC) computer assisted instruction, highly recommended for special education, limited English proficient, and talented and gifted students
- has computers, art, and physical education; and fields a softball team
- has a Writing to Read Center for

- Kindergarten and grade 1
- offers Boston Ballet's Dance Education Program and Drama Club
- has a schoolyard garden for "hands-on" science
- is affiliated with the Brookside Family Life Center and Dental Program, available to all
- has an Annual Fun Fair and Field Day
- participates in Jamaica Pond programs
- is proud of its strong parent involvement, especially in the library and with the Read Aloud and Weekly Reading Contract programs
- has just been renovated, inside and out.

Hale Elementary School

51 Cedar Street, Roxbury
William A. Colom, Principal
 ☎ 635-8205 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Hale School...

- is a small school on Fort Hill, not far from Roxbury Community College
- has 200 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is an Expeditionary Learning model school
- has a Macintosh computer lab and a library
- ranks in the upper third in reading scores and middle third in math in the Boston Public Schools
- is a partner with CH2M Hill Company, an environmental consulting firm, and Kinko's
- has teachers trained in innovative ways of teaching math and science, using hands-on materials and technology
- has been renovated, with new windows, paint, lighting, and more.

Haley Elementary School

570 American Legion Highway,
 Roslindale
Jean L. Dorcus, Principal
 ☎ 635-8169 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Haley School...

- is near Walk Hill St. and the new Audubon Nature Center
- has 300 students in Kindergarten-grade 5, including two special education classes
- offers before and after school programs, providing care from 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.
- is a schoolwide Title I school
- has an ongoing Garden Project supporting interdisciplinary instruction
- involves parents in revitalized School Parent and School Site councils
- works with Boston Children's Services and Judge Baker Center to provide school-based counseling for students
- is partners with New Balance and the Mass. Audubon Society to enhance our technology and science programs
- encourages parents and community to join the Schoolyard Initiative planning team as we look at better ways to use our space
- offers a Chess Club, and sponsors the annual Kidsfair community-based fundraiser and "fun raiser."

Hennigan Elementary School

200 Heath Street, Jamaica Plain
Eleanor Kearse-Perry, Principal
 ☎ 635-8264 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Hennigan School...

- is in a residential area, near the VA Hospital and Mission Hill
- has 700 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has Advanced Work Classes in Spanish and English for eligible

students in grades 4-5

- offers a special after school program, Prevention NOW!
- is the "Technology School of the Future," with two computer labs plus a special lab for Project Headlight, a computer program with MIT
- has ESL Immersion and Title I reading programs
- has an up-to-date library with state-of-the-art CD-ROM encyclopedia
- encourages children to become involved in our many extracurricular programs: dance, theater, vocal and instrumental music, sports, swimming (our swim team is a citywide champion!), and the arts
- is partners with Boston, Simmons, and Wheelock colleges, and Northeastern University; and works with a City Year team
- provides health and counseling services.

Higginson Elementary School

160 Harrishof Street, Roxbury
Ildeberto Pereira, Principal
 ☎ 635-8247 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Higginson School...

- is in an established residential neighborhood, near Egleston Square
- has 210 students in Early Childhood-grade 5
- is a traditional school with small classes
- has a modern computer lab
- scored above the national average on the Stanford 9 achievement tests
- offers many programs which promote literacy and parent involvement
- has a schoolwide Title I reading program
- has specialists in computer, music, and physical education
- has schoolwide special needs/regular education integrated classes



- has partners who help with literacy and student support
- has an active parent council and parents who work in the school
- has just had a \$1 million renovation.

J. F. Kennedy Elementary School

7 Bolster Street, Jamaica Plain

Donald DeGrandis, Principal

☎ 635-8127 Hours: 9:15-3:05

The John F. Kennedy School...

- is in a residential area near Hyde Square
- has 550 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- emphasizes basic skills and prides itself on a long history of harmony
- has full-time instructors in science, music, physical education, and computer
- has a before school program for all grades, and an after school program for grades 1-4
- was the first Boston public school to adopt an optional school uniform
- offers individual and small-group counseling through SCAT (School Counseling And Treatment)
- uses Literature Is Tops and EM-MAT math and technology programs to enrich reading, math, and science
- has a fully equipped computer lab, plus computers in all classrooms
- honors a "Student of the Month"
- offers Reading Recovery to help grade 1 students in reading
- has a Talented and Gifted Program for grades 3-5
- has English as a Second Language (ESL) classes for parents and a popular drop-in parent center

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- has cheerleaders, recorder instruction, school monitors (grades 4-5), a chorus, and a school newspaper
- has partnerships with Boston College, Hellenic College, UMass-Boston, Walker School of Needham, and Swartz & Swartz law firm
- is a bright, modern facility with a friendly atmosphere.

Kilmer Elementary School

35 Baker Street, West Roxbury

Thomas E. Byrne Jr., Principal

☎ 635-8060 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The Kilmer School...

- is a traditional, small school in a residential neighborhood
- has 380 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- uses the Writing-to-Read program
- has at least four computers per classroom, where students learn word processing and other technology skills
- scores above the national average in reading and math
- has a before school program
- has an active, supportive parent council
- has an excellent Talented And Gifted (TAG) program, Spanish language instruction, and a library program
- is an excellent place for nurturing children academically, emotionally, and physically
- is well maintained and landscaped, with lovely new windows, and was recently painted by parents and volunteers.

Lyndon Elementary School

140 Russett Road, West Roxbury

Kate Johnson and Maureen Roach, Lead Teachers

Brooks Roberts, Site Facilitator

☎ 635-6824 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Lyndon School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Hynes Field and West Roxbury Parkway
- has 280 students in Kindergarten-grade 3, and will add grade 4 in August 1997
- is a "pilot school," free of many Boston Public Schools and Boston Teachers Union rules and regulations
- uses an innovative team management structure, with no principal
- has a Spanish bilingual program
- assigns the same teacher to each class for two years
- emphasizes thematic learning, team teaching, and team building
- has a technology lab and computers in every classroom
- offers an after school program with the YMCA and an after school enrichment program run by parents.

Manning Elementary School

Louder's Lane, Jamaica Plain

Casel E. Walker, Principal

☎ 635-8102 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Manning School...

- is in a residential area, near the Faulkner Hospital
- has 180 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a Birthday Book program funded by the Millipore Foundation which brings over 200 new books to our library each year
- has an excellent science program and Science Center
- is an active member of the Arnold

- Arboretum Project
- has a physical education program with the West Roxbury YMCA
- is partners with Faulkner Hospital, which provides a health education program for students and families
- has a Chess Club, Science Club, and a Literary Group, open to all students
- offers drama and Reading Recovery.

Mendell Elementary School

164 School Street, Roxbury
 Mirna Vega Wilson, Principal
 ☎ 635-8234 Hours: 8:35-2:25

The Mendell School...

- is in a residential neighborhood on the Jamaica Plain line
- has 250 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has two computer labs
- is reorganizing to include special needs and regular education students in the same programs
- uses cooperative learning and exciting "hands-on" materials to teach math
- has partnerships with Lesley College, Brookside Family Center, Vinfen Corporation, and the Arnold Arboretum that provide training in special education, health services, counseling, and science enrichment
- has a half-time ESL teacher
- welcomes parents anytime to observe classes, help the teachers, or visit the parent center
- has just been renovated, with new energy-efficient windows, heating system, lighting, and paint.

Mozart Elementary School

236 Beech Street, Roslindale
 Fay Hom Lee, Principal
 ☎ 635-8082 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Mozart School...

- is a small school in a residential area,

- not far from the West Roxbury Parkway
- has 200 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has a WICAT computer lab and Writing-to-Read program
- uses computers in every classroom every day
- has a before school program
- has received many grants from private and public sources
- offers an enriched curriculum which includes Spanish language instruction
- is a member of the nationally acclaimed Accelerated Schools network
- is partners with Boston College and Arthur Andersen Consulting Company
- has strong parent involvement: Parents have helped build an outdoor playground and new play structure
- integrates language arts and math with music and art
- has a strong focus on literacy and "hands-on" learning
- provides a safe, nurturing, respectful learning environment for its students.

Ohrenberger Elementary School

175 West Boundary Road,
 West Roxbury
 Frank Galvin, Acting Principal
 ☎ 635-8157 Hours: 9:25-3:15

The Ohrenberger School...

- is in a wooded setting off Washington St., in the Georgetown neighborhood
- has 650 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- has Spanish and Greek bilingual programs
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- uses Whole Language, cooperative

- learning, and "hands-on" math
- has many outstanding reading programs, including summer reading, to help students be good readers
- read over 160,000 books last year through Books and Beyond
- has smaller class sizes in all grades
- has Apple and new Macintosh computer labs
- teaches Spanish in Kindergarten-grade 5
- teaches art through music and literature
- has partnerships and volunteer programs with Teradyne, Judge Baker Counseling Center, Harvard University School of Education, Wellesley College, Boston Partners in Education, and Sun Life of Canada
- has a new parent center and active parent organizations
- offers performing arts with Boston Ballet and Community Music Center of Boston
- offers tennis, soccer, and basketball
- has just had a \$2 million renovation and is beautifully landscaped.

Philbrick Elementary School

40 Philbrick Street, Roslindale
 Diane Gandy, Principal
 ☎ 635-8069 Hours: 8:25-2:15

The Philbrick School...

- is in a residential area off Hyde Park Ave., near Forest Hills
- has 165 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is a small school with a strong feeling of community
- believes "Inspiration = Education": Our children are eager to come and learn!
- has a small staff, with a wide range of talents and teaching styles, that works closely together to meet each child's educational needs



- provides Title I reading and Reading Recovery
- has computers in every classroom
- provides art, science, physical education, and library science classes
- offers instrumental band lessons for grades 3-5, and sponsors the Philbrick School Marching Band
- has won grants from the Boston Plan for Excellence, American Humane Society, Very Special Arts, PASS, and the American Chess Foundation
- is partners with Boston Community Services, Boston Music Education Collaborative, Star Market, the Dept. of Public Health, and Boston Partners in Education
- offers Girl Scouting for girls in grades 4-5, and chess for grades 3 and 4.

Sumner Elementary School

15 Basile Street, Roslindale

Joseph Shea, Principal

☎ 635-8131 Hours: 8:30-2:20

The Sumner School...

- is in a residential area in Roslindale Village
- has 550 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- features an after school art club
- offers an expanded Title I reading program in English and Spanish
- uses conflict resolution and the Voices of Love and Freedom curriculum, funded by the Carnegie Corp.
- works with students from Boston College and UMass-Boston
- uses keyboards (provided by Berklee

College) and computers in music classes

- has Peer Teaching with students from West Roxbury and English high schools
- has a new science grant, Project Schema, to teach literacy to bilingual students
- explores nature at the Arnold Arboretum and the Trailside Museum
- has a state-of-the-art Macintosh computer lab
- provides counseling and instruction through the Judge Baker Children's Center
- features inclusive classes, where regular education and special education students learn together
- plays soccer, hockey, and basketball
- offers ESL and Spanish literacy to parents
- invites artists, opera groups, storytellers, dancers, and musical groups to enhance our arts curriculum.

Trotter Elementary School

135 Humboldt Avenue, Dorchester

Edna Cason, Principal

☎ 635-8225 Hours: 9:20-3:10

The Trotter School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Franklin Park
- has 650 students in Kindergarten-grade 5
- is organized into four mini-schools, each in a separate area or "pod"
- has multi-grade classrooms: Students can stay for two years with the same teacher
- has WICAT integrated computer learning system network
- uses computers extensively, with IBM, Writing to Read, Macintosh, and Wang labs
- is part of the Boston Music Education Collaborative and has a

renowned music program

- has home reading and after school programs
- has a City Year team
- has active parent participation
- has a full-time, professional librarian and well stocked library
- has a full-time physical education teacher and beautiful gym
- has a full-time art teacher and art room.

Students who live in the West Zone can also apply for three citywide elementary schools: the Hernandez (Kindergarten-grade 8), Mission Hill School (Kindergarten-grade 5), and Young Achievers (Kindergarten-grade 4). Please see pages 11-12.

West Zone Middle Schools

M. Curley Middle School

493 Centre Street, Jamaica Plain

Valeria Lowe-Barehmi, Principal

☎ 635-8176 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Mary Curley School...

- is centrally located near Jamaica Pond
- has 700 students in grades 6-8: Some of their parents teach at the Curley
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grade 6
- "clusters" students by grade with a team of teachers and small classes
- includes special needs and bilingual students in all clusters
- has an after school program and

Friday Activity Days, with fun mini-courses such as jewelry making and a computer club

- has a CAD-CAM Technology Center, and Channel 1 Television
- has active partnerships with the Comer School Development Program, Simmons College, Stay in School Program, Arts in Progress, Gardner Museum, Parents United for Childcare, and others
- has a parent center and a communications system to reach parents by phone
- offers mediation and conflict resolution for all students.

Irving Middle School

105 Cummins Highway, Roslindale
Richard Maloney, Principal
☎ 635-8072 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Irving School...

- is in a residential neighborhood, near Roslindale Square
- has 800 students in grades 6-8
- has Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grade 6
- is organized in clusters of five classes and five teachers, so teachers work as a team, know their students, and are better able to craft effective programs for them
- encourages parents to be a part of the team and to attend cluster meetings
- provides parent workshops on helping their child in school
- has been designated a "Violence Free/Drug Free Zone" by the City Council
- has many teachers' children among its students.

Lewis Middle School

131 Walnut Avenue, Roxbury
Brenda Jones, Principal
☎ 635-8137 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The Lewis School...

- is a small school, near Malcolm X Park
- has 350 students in grades 6-8
- has an exciting, multi-level, across-subject approach to learning
- is a Visual & Performing Arts Theme School, with day and after school classes in music, dance, and the arts: Our chorus performed at the Mayor's State of the City address
- offers performances and classes with Alvin Ailey Dance, Ramon de Los Reyes, Christopher Hogwood and the Boston String Quartet, and Art of Black Dance & Music
- has algebra classes
- has IBM and Macintosh computer labs with Internet access
- prepares students to take the test for Boston's examination schools
- has partnerships, programs, and activities with Northeastern University, UMass-Boston, Boston University, Arts in Progress, MassPEP pre-engineering program, Boston Conservatory, and Boston Ballet
- uses telecommunications and technology to teach math and science
- offers mentoring programs with Big Sister, the Sports Museum, and Ebenezer Baptist Church
- offers a summer program in July
- is newly renovated and beautifully landscaped.

R. G. Shaw Middle School

20 Mt. Vernon Street,
West Roxbury
Muriel Leonard, Principal
☎ 635-8050 Hours: 7:35-1:35

The R. G. Shaw School...

- is located in a residential neighborhood, near the library and shopping area
- has 400 students in grades 6-8

- has three computer labs, a library media center with Internet access on 24 computers, one computer for every four students, and an exciting, technology-based curriculum
- has a Somali bilingual program
- offers Spanish
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- is partners with the Faulkner Hospital for guest speakers, innovative course offerings, health fairs, contests, and more
- works with EDC to include special education students in regular education classes
- is one of two Boston schools in the Middle Schools Systemic Change Network, and one of only three Magnet Technology middle schools in the city
- is part of the Algebra Project, using innovative methods to teach math, and has a Harcourt General grant to improve math teaching
- receives support in science, math, physics, and engineering through Northeastern University's NUCRCM
- offers training for the Oratorical Contest and preparation for the test for admission to Boston's examination schools
- has after school sports, clubs, and Junior Achievement
- is part of the Magic Me community service project
- has recently been renovated.

Wheatley Middle School

20 Kearsarge Avenue, Roxbury
Michael Anderson, Principal
☎ 635-8165 Hours: 9:15-3:15

The Wheatley School...

- is in a residential neighborhood off Warren St. in the Dudley Square area, a short walk from the library
- has 265 students in grades 6-8 and a



High Schools

Another Course to College

320 Newbury Street, Boston
Marilyn Corsini, Program Director
☎ 635-8865 Hours: 8:20-2:30

ACC...

- is located in heart of the Back Bay
- has 115 students in grades 11-12:
Our small size means more personal attention and support for our students
- has a special admission process: Call the school or the High School Parent & Student Information Center for details
- is a college preparatory alternative program, established in 1977
- provides a strong foundation in basic skills, thinking skills, and personal qualities to help students become successful and responsible adults
- is proud that over 90% of our students enter the college of their choice
- does not grant its own diploma: Graduating seniors receive their diploma from their "home" school.

Boston Arts Academy

Project Office:
621 Huntington Avenue,
Boston 02115
John K. DiPaolo, Project Director
☎ 730-8319 Hours: 7:30-2:55
e-mail: dipaolo@massart.edu

The Boston Arts Academy is a new "pilot" high school, scheduled to open in August 1997. It will...

- be located in the South End, near many Boston cultural institutions such as the Boston Ballet, Boston Center for the Arts, and Community Music Center

- enroll up to 160 students in grades 9 and 10 in 1997-98, adding one grade per year until it reaches about 325 students in grades 9-12
- provide high level training in the visual and performing arts in the context of a comprehensive high school education, maintaining rigorous academic and artistic standards
- offer students the opportunity to concentrate in dance, music, theatre, or visual arts, as they study humanities, math, and science every day.

The Boston Arts Academy...

- is a collaborative project of the Boston Public Schools and the Professional Arts Consortium: Berklee College of Music, Boston Architectural Center, Boston Conservatory, Emerson College, Mass. College of Art, and the School of the Museum of Fine Arts
- has a special application form and admission process, including a performance or presentation and a written component
- invites interested students now in grades 8 and 9 to apply by *January 27*: Write or e-mail to the address above, or call the High School Parent & Student Information Center for details.

Boston High School

152 Arlington Street, Boston
Thomas Hennessey, Headmaster
☎ 635-8937 Hours: A.M. 7:30-12
P.M. 12-4:30

Boston High School...

- is located in the South End, one block from Park Square
- has 950 students in grades 9-12
- has a school-to-career program emphasizing strong academics, career exploration, and connections between school and work

- 20 to 1 student to teacher ratio
- clusters by grade, with each grade in a separate team area
- uses its own All School Academic Program (ASAP), combining innovative scheduling, grouping by skill level, and character education to enhance teaching and learning
- has a three-year Arts Are Academic grant that introduces music, language arts, and computer instruction in all grades and subjects, and provides theater and drama experiences in and out of school
- is the only Boston middle school to win a five-year Accelerated Schools grant, setting high standards for all students
- has a partnership with Boston Medical Center that provides career education, counseling, mentoring, and academic support
- is citywide boys' basketball champion
- has adopted a salmon family—a program of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
- has been recently renovated, with new paint and plaster, polished marble in the entry and auditorium, and beautiful landscaping, equal to that of any suburban school.

Students who live in the West Zone can also apply for three citywide middle schools: Hernandez (Kindergarten-grade 8), M. L. King Jr. (grades 6-8), and Timilty (grades 6-8). Please see pages 11-12.

- offers a full day program including supervised, paid employment for students over age 16 in grades 10-12, and a supervised community service learning component for students in grade 9 and those under 16
- is partners with Mass. General Hospital, Dana Farber Institute, BankBoston, Fidelity Investments, and Federal Reserve Bank; and offers programs through the School of the Museum of Fine Arts and others
- houses the Health Careers Academy "pilot" school
- links school-based learning with work-based learning through Project ProTech in health care and financial services
- offers Advanced Placement courses, and has a dual enrollment program for college credit courses
- has a state-of-the-art media center, science labs, and computer technology labs
- offers student support services, a school-based health center, peer leadership, peer mediation, and mentoring
- has an award-winning newspaper
- has a cooperative athletics program with Snowden International High School
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School.

Boston Latin Academy

205 Townsend St., Roxbury

Maria Garcia-Aaronson,

Headmaster

☎ 635-9957

Hours: 7:35-1:35

Boston Latin Academy...

- is located in the refurbished Boston Technical High building
- has 1,650 students in grades 7-12
- is an examination school with a special admission process: Students are admitted to grades 7 and 9 based on test score and grade point average

- is a classical liberal arts preparatory school
- stresses excellence in academics and provides a nurturing environment
- has an outstanding record for college placement
- has a dedicated faculty who challenge and encourage students
- offers honors and Advanced Placement courses
- offers a wide range of extracurricular clubs and organizations
- has an exemplary peer tutoring program
- has a supportive and active parent council and an involved alumni association
- actively participates in the state and national Junior Classical League (Latin language competition)
- was recognized by the *Redbook* Project as one of the top 63 schools in the nation in the category of overall excellence
- has partnerships with Regis College and IBM/Lotus
- has scholarship endowments.

Boston Latin School

78 Avenue Louis Pasteur, Boston

Michael Contompasis, Headmaster

☎ 635-8895

Hours: 7:55-1:55

Boston Latin School...

- is located off Longwood Ave., near Children's Hospital and Harvard Medical School
- has 2,350 students in grades 7-12
- is an examination school with a special admission process: Students are admitted to grades 7 and 9 based on test score and grade point average
- is the oldest public school in the U.S., founded in 1635
- is a college preparatory school which fosters the pursuit of excellence through a rigorous academic program in the classical tradition
- offers interdisciplinary and thematic curriculum opportunities

- offers honors and Advanced Placement courses in 15 different subjects
- has a dedicated and committed faculty
- has linkages with the arts, science, and business communities
- has an outstanding record of college acceptances: 98%
- offers extensive extracurricular and athletic opportunities for all students, and an extensive range of musical opportunities, both vocal and instrumental
- is proud of its very high level of parent commitment and involvement, and its tremendously supportive alumni association
- was recognized last year by *Redbook* Magazine as the best school in the state.

Brighton High School

25 Warren Street, Brighton

Juliette Johnson, Headmaster

☎ 635-9873

Hours: 7:40-1:40

Brighton High School...

- is in a residential area next to St. Elizabeth's Hospital
- has 1,050 students in grades 9-12
- has a School of Health Professionals and a School of Business Services, providing internships for students at hospitals and businesses
- has Spanish and Vietnamese bilingual programs, and inclusion classes for special education students
- has ninth grade clusters to help students adjust to high school
- has partnerships with Boston University, Boston College, and Mount Ida College, providing students with academic support after school and on weekends, and professional development for staff
- offers Advanced Placement courses in chemistry, U.S. history, English, and calculus



- offers classes in drama, dance, and the arts with artists in residence
- offers after school sports, clubs, Army JROTC, and community service opportunities
- has a brand new, beautifully renovated Library Media Center with 24 networked multimedia computers: State of the art research technology is available to all students throughout the building.

Jeremiah Burke High School

60 Washington Street, Dorchester
Steven Leonard, Headmaster
☎ 635-9837 Hours: 7:40-1:40

Burke High School...

- is located in the revitalized Grove Hall area
- has 642 students in grades 9-12
- has active partnerships with The New England, Au Bon Pain, Boston Private Industry Council, and School-to-Career
- offers academic enrichment programs: The Burke Works enrichment and summer job program, after school tutoring, MassPEP pre-engineering, Urban Scholars, UMass-Boston Admission Guaranteed Program, SAT test preparation, art, chorus, dance, instrumental music, and theater arts
- has a full service Cape Verdean bilingual program
- offers competitive sports teams, cheerleaders, pep rally and homecoming, and a peer leadership program
- provides student support services: guidance staff, a well-staffed health center, counseling, adolescent parenting program, financial aid

- assistance, Hope Educational Talent Search, and Access scholarship funds
- is a Boston Plan for Excellence 21st Century School
- has had extensive building renovations, including a new library/media center and a \$1.1 million technology upgrade.

Charlestown High School

240 Medford Street, Charlestown
Marilyn Hurwitz, Headmaster
☎ 635-9914 Hours: 7:40-1:40

Charlestown High School...

- is located in a lovely area, with a view of the Mystic River and Tobin Bridge
- has 1,200 students in grades 9-12
- has very active partnerships with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, Fleet Bank, Thompson Financial, Simmons College, Bunker Hill Community College, Harvard University, Emerson College, and the Charlestown Court
- is supported by grants from the Center for Collaboration Education, the Mass. Cultural Council, School-to-Career, and BPS Technology Initiatives
- prepares students for college with a liberal arts theme, Pro Tech programs in financial services, MassPep pre-engineering program, Simmons Upward Bound science summer program, and mock trial teams
- offers Close-up: trips to Washington, DC to explore our government, and programs for new immigrants and US history students
- has a dance major program with Boston Ballet and Alvin Ailey
- offers Chinese and Spanish bilingual programs that are recognized by the State Dept. of Education for achieving exceptional results in preparing students for college

- has a winning science program: CHS students are winners in the Boston Public School City Science Fair and the Mass. State Science Fair
- has all-star athletics and one of Boston's best high school sports facilities: Many CHS students were chosen as top players by Boston area coaches
- offers state-of-the-art computer classes: We're #1 in the city in computer competitions
- has a star-spangled teaching staff: six Golden Apple Award Teachers and one Mass. Terrific Teacher Award
- supports students through our own health clinic, Read Boston, peer leadership training, and the Words not Weapons program
- offers an exemplary curriculum for special needs students, including the STRIVE work release program.

Dorchester High School

9 Peacevale Road, Dorchester
Robert N. Belle, Headmaster
☎ 635-8904 Hours: 7:40-1:40

Dorchester High School...

- is located near Codman Square
- has 900 students in grades 9-12
- offers a comprehensive high school curriculum, bilingual programs in Spanish and Haitian creole, and special education
- offers career exploration and preparation through school-to-career programs with Skills for Success classes, the Academy of Public Service, TeachBoston, Law and Justice, and the Health Careers Academy "pilot" school
- collaborates with NYNEX, which provides training, computers and technological assistance; and with UMass-Boston, which offers after school academic and cultural enrichment classes, tutoring, college and career advising, and staff

- development
- provides on-site student health care associated with Codman Square Health Center
- actively involves parents in the School Parent Council and School Site Council
- uses over 130 computers in labs and classrooms
- plans to open a new library media center in 1997
- recognizes students for excellence in academics and attendance
- encourages artistic and cultural expressions with a school newspaper, art, music, choir, and dance
- involves students in special events such as A World of Difference Institute's Team Harmony, Boston Ballet, and college fairs
- offers community service learning projects with intergenerational tutoring and mentoring, a garden project, recycling center, student leadership training with Boston Creative Action, and City Year Servathon
- offers an Army JROTC program which develops leadership skills, self-confidence, self-esteem, character, teamwork, and exploration of military careers.

Downtown Evening Academy

at Boston High School

152 Arlington Street, Boston

☎ 635-6789 Hours: Mon.-Thurs.
5:00-9:00 P.M.

Ferdinand Fuentes,
Program Director

The Downtown Evening Academy...

- is located in Boston High School, a block from Park Plaza
- has 150 students in grades 9-12
- is open in the evening, Monday through Thursday, from 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.
- has a special admission process: Call

- the school or High School Parent & Student Information Center for details
- is for students who, for a variety of reasons, have not been successful in their past school experiences
- offers an alternative but rigorous comprehensive high school curriculum
- awards a high school diploma
- features competency-based and project-based learning
- offers summer training at UMass-Boston, a mentoring program with Fidelity Investments, and work experiences
- emphasizes the student's personal responsibility to work hard
- believes success requires strong home-school connections, and support for the family
- offers smaller student-teacher ratios, health care, and counseling.

East Boston High School

86 White Street, East Boston

John Poto, Headmaster

☎ 635-9896 Hours: 7:40-1:40

East Boston High School—"Eastie"...

- is in a residential area near Maverick Station
- has 1,160 students in grades 9-12
- is for student who are going places: We feature the Academy of Travel & Tourism for career exploration and internships
- has a varied academic program: In addition to the core subjects, we offer an Honors Program, theater arts, film and TV communications, a health profession career pathway, and more
- has a Spanish bilingual program and inclusion: Students with special needs learn in regular education classrooms
- has an outstanding Army JROTC program

- has sent graduates to Harvard, Boston College, Wellesley, Tufts, Colgate, WPI, Middlebury, Morehouse, Babson, Brandeis, Dartmouth, Simmons, and many others: Our students have received over \$1 million in scholarships
- offers over thirty extracurricular activities, including aerobics, photography, drill team, mock trial, chess, dance, Jeopardy, and LaRaza
- has a championship sports program: We received the Boston Globe's Nason Trophy (1995) for overall excellence in athletics, were Super Bowl contenders (1996), and won three state basketball championships
- has active partnerships with Massport, American Express, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, Four Seasons Hotel, Holiday Inn, Marriott, Hyatt, Sheraton Hotels, Northeastern, Salem State, and others
- is the school with great traditions: "Flower Power," Senior Party, Eastie/Southie football game, pep rally, sports banquet, JROTC Halloween haunted house, Christmas fair, awards breakfast, multicultural assembly, and drama festival.

The English High School

144 McBride Street, Jamaica Plain

Gerald Sullivan, Headmaster

☎ 635-8979 Hours: 7:45-1:45

English High School...

- is located near Forest Hills in a modern facility, surrounded by its athletic fields
- has over 1,250 students in grades 9-12
- is the oldest public high school in the country, founded in 1821
- sends 74% of its graduates to post-secondary education institutions
- offers physics, chemistry, Advanced



Placement calculus, SAT prep, two foreign languages, and JROTC

- has one computer for every nine students
- features the largest TeachBoston program in the city for future teachers
- has a diverse bilingual/ESL program for Spanish, Somali, and multilingual classes
- offers computer/satellite telecommunications, distance learning and Internet hook-ups
- has a complete special needs program with wheel chair accessibility
- is partners with John Hancock, Brigham & Women's Hospital, Deaconess Hospital, State Street Bank, and Massport
- has teacher training linkages with Harvard University, Boston University, UMass, the Museum School, Tufts University, and Boston College
- has two small, supportive ninth grade clusters
- has the first-in-the-nation high school Legal Resource Center
- was nationally recognized Mass. Mock Trial State Champion 1993, 1994, and 1995
- has an award-winning mediation program
- has MassPEP pre-engineering, Pro Tech medical and financial career training, and summer jobs options
- offers an after school tutoring program.

Fenway Middle College High School

250 Rutherford Avenue,
Charlestown

Larry Myatt and Linda Nathan,
Co-Directors

☎ 635-9911

Hours: 8:30-3:00

Fenway Middle College High School...

- is on the campus of Bunker Hill Community College, with access to all college facilities
- has 250 students in grade 9-12
- has a special admission process: Call the school or the High School Parent & Student Information Center for details
- is a "pilot" school and member of the Coalition of Essential Schools and the Center for Collaborative Education-Metro Boston
- offers students the opportunity to take college courses for college credit
- was named one of 10 New American High Schools by the U.S. Dept. of Education, and a Lead School by the Boston Plan for Excellence
- works with Children's Hospital, CVS Pharmacies, and the Museum of Science
- sends 75% of its graduates on to further education
- assesses and graduates students by portfolio and exhibition
- features the Senior Institute for the final phase of high school, with seminars, advanced course work, a six-week internship, and senior project
- uses award-winning curricula such as Eyes on the Prize, Facing History and Ourselves within an integrated humanities curriculum, and the Interactive Math Project
- has an after school drama program
- has a strong advisory program for all students
- provides a Learning Center to help all students excel.

Greater Egleston Community High School

3134 Washington Street,
Jamaica Plain

Beatriz M. Zapater, Principal

☎ 524-2555

Hours: 9:00-3:15

Greater Egleston Community High School...

- is a pilot school by the community, in the community, and for the community, located in Egleston Square
- will enroll 100 students, ages 16-21, in 1997-98
- has a special admission process, with at least one interview and placement assessments: Call the school for details
- has no grades: We place students according to skill level, regardless of age, race, points or previous school experience
- has a program to support pregnant and parenting students
- in collaboration with Bay State Skills Corporation, offers Senior Institute, a special program which requires seniors to do an internship, take community college courses, and complete projects in order to graduate
- has a "hands-on," interdisciplinary, project-based curriculum
- assesses students' work through portfolios and exhibitions
- has a strong school-to-career program, including internships, job training, and life skills training
- has been officially recognized for its work to promote peace and racial harmony
- has very active partnerships with the Egleston Square Coalition of 34 community-based agencies; and with Simmons College, UMass-Boston, Bunker Hill Community College, and the Museum of Science, which provide tutors, mentors, and

- educational and internship opportunities
- has a photographer-in-residence with support from the Mass. Cultural Council
- offers sports and recreation such as yoga, dance, aerobics, and team sports in collaboration with the Shelburne Community Center and the Egleston YMCA
- is affiliated with the Coalition of Essential Schools, and is an active member of the Center for Collaborative Education and the Alternative Education Alliance
- offers support services, such as counseling and case management, to all students
- opens its facilities to family members and community residents until 5 P.M.

Health Careers Academy

c/o Northeastern University
502A Hayden,
360 Huntington Avenue, Boston
Diane Bassett, Acting Director
☎ 373-8576

The Health Careers Academy...

- is a unique school-within-a-school at Boston High School and Dorchester High School
- will serve 160 students in grades 9-11 who share an interest in health care
- has a special admission process which includes an interview: Call the school or High School Parent & Student Information Center for details
- clusters students with Academy teachers to provide strong academics and individual support for students
- enables students to work together on projects that connect their learning across academic subjects
- prepares students for higher education and careers in health care

- or other professions
- involves after school commitments for academic support and enrichment, life skills and career exploration workshops, internships and work experience, student leadership and cultural events
- provides outreach and support to students and their families, and seeks active partnerships with parents
- is partners with Boston University School of Medicine, Northeastern University College of Nursing, Boston Medical Center, and many neighborhood health centers
- does not grant its own diploma: Graduating seniors receive their diploma from their "home" school, either Boston High or Dorchester High.

Hyde Park High School

655 Metropolitan Avenue,
Hyde Park
Ray Peterson, Headmaster
☎ 635-8948 Hours: 7:40-1:40

Hyde Park High School...

- is in a residential area, one block from Hyde Park Ave., near Cleary Square
- has 1,100 students in grades 9-12
- offers an array of academic courses in the sciences, math, and social studies, including physics, calculus, psychology, and economics
- has French and Spanish language instruction, and a Haitian bilingual program
- features the Academy of Finance to enhance the college preparatory curriculum
- is Boston's only high school with a banking and finance magnet theme: Students can enroll in advanced courses in accounting, computer applications for business, marketing and entrepreneurship (students run their own companies), economics,

- and taxes
- houses two computer labs with 60 computers
- offers Army JROTC in all grades: 250 students participate
- has an extremely active partnership with BankBoston, which has provided financial and academic support through participation on the Academy of Finance Board of Directors
- offers a summer internship program through BankBoston for grades 10-12
- has after school varsity and junior varsity sports for boys and girls
- keeps students learning after school with activities such as MassPEP pre-engineering, the Creative Action Club that works with the community to upgrade our facility, Drama Club, and SAT test preparation.

Madison Park Technical Vocational High School

55 New Dudley Street, Roxbury
Richard Fields, Executive Director
☎ 635-8970 Hours: 7:45-1:45

Madison Park High School...

- is located in a large, modern complex off Columbus Ave., near Roxbury Community College and the Roxbury Crossing station, next to the Reggie Lewis Center
- has 1,620 students in grades 9-12
- is Boston's technical and vocational high school, offering a comprehensive academic program plus training in almost 30 specialties
- has new requirements for enrollment in 1997: Students interested in applying must participate in an orientation and assessment process to determine readiness for grade 9 and for enrollment in technical vocational courses. This means that some



students may require more than four years for graduation. Call the school for details.

- offers a dual-enrollment college program and internships
- has Spanish, Cape Verdean, Haitian, Portuguese, and Vietnamese bilingual programs
- has excellent athletic programs, an outstanding JROTC unit, and an award-winning student newspaper
- is organized into academies:

Allied Health and Human Services Academy

Diana Jones, Dean

☎ 635-8976

Baking, Childcare, Cosmetology, Dental Assistant, Culinary Arts, Hotel/Hospitality, Medical Assistant, Nursing Assistant

Commerce Academy

Pamela Fuller, Dean

☎ 635-8962

Banking, Commercial Design, Information Processing, Legal Office, Medical Secretary, Printing, TV Production, Office Technology/General Business, Office Technology/Finance

Craft and Technical Academy

Charles Cafferty, Dean

☎ 635-8968

Auto/Truck Repair, Autobody Repair, Building Maintenance, Carpentry, Electricity, Electronics, Heating/Air Conditioning, Marine Small Engine, Plumbing, Sheet Metal

Freshman Academy
Ronald Bayless, Dean
☎ 635-8964

Roland Hayes Division of Music
Robert Winfrey, Program Director
☎ 635-8970

Multicultural High School

67 Alleghany Street, Roxbury
David Perrigo, Program Director
☎ 427-3071 Hours: 8:00-2:00

Multicultural High School...

- is located in Mission Hill
- will enroll 150 students in grades 9-12 in 1997, reaching an enrollment of 250 by 2000.
- has a special admission process: Call the school or the High School Parent & Student Information Center for details
- seeks to provide an intellectually rigorous education in a small, supportive, personalized learning environment
- helps students develop the personal, cultural, and historical self-knowledge necessary to recognize existing attitudes and beliefs
- teaches the humanities, science, math, and the arts through projects and inquiry: Students learn by investigating the world around them
- is organized in Advisory Learning Teams: Small groups of students meet daily with an advisor over the course of several years
- evaluates student achievement based on their portfolios, or collections of their work—not by the traditional grading system
- groups and promotes students based on ability, and does not adhere to a traditional grade structure
- participates in community learning projects in the outside world
- offers last-year students the option of taking courses at Northeastern and

Roxbury Community College
• requires a demonstration of competency for graduation.

O'Bryant School of Mathematics and Science

55 New Dudley Street, Roxbury
Gustave Anglin, Headmaster
☎ 635-9932 Hours: 7:35-1:35

John D. O'Bryant School...

- is located in the Madison Park Complex, near Roxbury Community College and the Reggie Lewis Center
- has 1,370 students in grades 7-12
- is an examination school with a special admission process: Students are admitted to grades 7, 9, and 10 based on test score and grade point average
- seeks to prepare every student for college, advanced learning, and a highly-skilled career
- offers a challenging core curriculum, with emphasis on science and mathematics
- is proud of its high acceptance rate to universities and colleges, and offers many scholarships
- provides a full after school sports program
- offers many clubs and activities, including a school newspaper and literary magazine, Bicycle Club, community service, mentoring and peer tutoring, National Honor Society, the Wentworth Scholars program, drama, cheerleaders, chorus, and more
- is partners with Boston Edison, Dupont, Polaroid, the JFK Museum, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Whitier Health Center, and many local colleges and universities
- has an award-winning Navy JROTC unit.

Snowden International High School

150 Newbury Street,
Copley Square
Gloria Coulter, Headmaster
☎ 635-9989 Hours: 7:40-1:40

Snowden International High School...

- is a campus high school housed in four buildings around Copley Square, and uses other community resources such as the Boston Public Library and YWCA gymnasium
- has 500 students in grades 9-12
- groups all entering grade 9 students in clusters for academic and social support
- has a schoolwide theme of International Studies and World Languages
- offers a college preparatory program
- requires all students to complete four years of a world language, English, social studies, and math; and three years of science
- offers inclusion, resource room, and regular education classes for students in special education
- requires students to participate in cultural field trips and international events
- has opportunities for students to travel to other parts of the United States and to other countries
- has partnerships with Bentley College, Cambridge Technology Partners, Freedom House, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, MCI Telecommunications, and Suffolk University
- offers internships in business, educational, and hospital settings
- gives students an opportunity to enroll in courses at Northeastern University, UMass-Boston, and other local universities
- has many extracurricular activities, such as athletics, student government, Model United Nations, and other student clubs.

South Boston High School

95 G Street, South Boston
Lorraine Hamilton, Headmaster
☎ 635-9857 Hours: 7:40-1:40

South Boston High School—"Southie"...

- is located in historic Dorchester Heights
- has 1,020 students in grades 9-12
- is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools & Colleges
- has strong academic programs: grade 9 & 10 clusters, the Liberal Arts Academy, Pro-Tech environmental and financial studies, school-to-career, an alternative program, tutoring, and Urban Scholars
- has a Vietnamese bilingual program
- offers the Admissions Guaranteed Program with UMass for qualified students
- has sports for boys and girls, and is Division I state basketball champion
- has student award ceremonies, chorus, dance, and JROTC
- has active partnerships with Federal Reserve Bank, Gillette, UMass-Boston, and the Private Industry Council
- offers summer programs at Outward Bound and UMass; and has a summer jobs program
- has new computers and Internet access in the library, and looks forward to opening a new library media center, planned for 1997
- offers calculus classes from UMass using interactive video

West Roxbury High School

1205 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury
Donald Pellegrini, Headmaster
☎ 635-8917 Hours: 7:35-1:35

West Roxbury High School—"Westie"...

- is in a suburban setting, near the Dedham line and the Charles River
- has 1,290 students in grades 9-12

- offers a comprehensive college preparatory program, including physics, trigonometry, calculus, chemistry, computer science, and Spanish, French and Greek languages
- features unique vocational programs in environmental studies (including horticulture, landscaping, and animal science) and communications media (radio, television, photography, advertising, and more)
- has Haitian and Greek bilingual programs
- offers a business program with accounting, word processing, and computers
- was commended by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges for the dedication of its teachers and administrators to their students, and for the loyalty of the students to the school
- offers many clubs and activities: Navy JROTC, choir, chess, Reading Raiders, ethnic culture clubs, peer tutors, and Project Action
- has a winning sports program, with football, basketball, soccer, tennis, swimming, track, golf, hockey, and more
- has sent its graduates to many outstanding colleges: Harvard, Wellesley, Dartmouth, MIT, Boston College, Brown, Bowdoin, Bates, and others
- is partners with Boston College, Boston Gas, Fleet Bank, and WHDH-TV
- helps place students in part-time, full-time, and summer jobs.



Special Education Schools

These schools cannot be chosen through the "controlled choice" assignment process. Students must be referred through a Special Education Evaluation Team meeting.

William Carter School

396 Northampton Street, Boston
Roger Mazur, Program Director
☎ 635-9832

The Carter School...

- is located behind Northeastern University
- provides a comprehensive educational program for about 20 students with severe and profound disabilities, with a minimum of one staff member for every two students
- provide each student with a program to meet his or her specific individuals needs
- has a full-time nurse, and ongoing family support services coordinated by a bilingual social worker and teacher-home liaison
- provides music therapy, physical therapy, behavioral programming, vision and mobility training, occupational therapy, and medical equipment supplies
- offers swimming at Northeastern University, MBTA travel skills, and

trips to the Museum of Fine Arts, Symphony Hall, and local regular education schools.

Horace Mann School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

40 Arlington Street, Allston
Patrice DiNatale, Principal
☎ 635-8534; 783-3664 (TTY)

The Horace Mann School...

- is located in Union Square
- serves 120 deaf and hard of hearing students in Early Childhood-grade 12
- has been recognized by state, local, and private agencies for excellence in deaf education
- provides full evaluation and support services to students and families
- has very active partnerships with TERI and The Boston Company which provide advice, fundraising, computers, mentors, and job placement
- has partnerships with Boston University and Gallaudet University, which provide expertise in deaf education, student teachers, workshops, consultation, and research assistance
- has a state-of-the-art library/media center, "Quick Caption" multimedia center at the middle school level, a Literacy Lab at the elementary level, and a sophisticated math/science and technology program for all students
- offers after school tutoring for grades 6-12, a summer tutoring and job training program for grades 6-12, and a summer program for Early Childhood-grade 5
- has varsity and junior varsity basketball teams.

McKinley Schools

Bonnie Miller,
Senior Program Director
☎ 635-9986
McKinley Elementary
James Scaringe, Program Director
☎ 635-9978
McKinley Middle
Joseph Brown, Program Director
☎ 635-9853
McKinley Technical High
James Scaringe, Program Director
☎ 635-9976
McKinley Vocational High
Joseph Brown, Program Director
☎ 635-9907

The McKinley Schools...

- are located in the South End, Fenway, and Back Bay
- are four schools in one—Elementary, Middle, Vocational High, and Technical High—and also have three satellite programs
- serve 420 students in Kindergarten-grade 12 with serious emotional, behavioral, and learning needs
- offer therapeutic supports, including individual and group counseling, individual and family therapy, and psychiatric consultation
- utilize a highly structured behavior management system
- offer a full range of academic programs, including college preparatory courses
- offer many vocational programs, including business, building trades, electronics/electricity, security services, food services, graphic arts, and auto mechanics
- collaborate with Madison Park Technical Vocational High School for varsity team sports
- offer unusual programs, such as entrepreneurship, boatbuilding, and soap box derby. ■

1997-98 School Hours

Hours listed here are subject to minor changes of 5-10 minutes.

HIGH SCHOOLS

ACC	8:30-2:30
Boston Arts Academy	7:30-2:55
Boston HS (AM) ..	7:30-12:00
Boston HS (PM) ..	12:00-4:30
Boston Latin Academy	7:35-1:35
Boston Latin School	7:55-1:55
Brighton HS	7:40-1:40
Burke HS	7:40-1:40
Charlestown HS ...	7:35-1:35
Dorchester HS	7:40-1:40
Downtown Evening Academy	
<i>Mon.-Thurs..</i>	5:00-9:00 PM
East Boston HS	7:40-1:40
English HS	7:45-1:45
Fenway MCHS	8:30-3:00
Greater Egleston Community HS	9:00-3:15
Hyde Park HS	7:40-1:40
Madison Park Tech. Voc. HS	7:45-1:45
Multicultural HS ...	8:00-2:00
O'Bryant HS	7:35-1:35
Snowden HS	7:40-1:40
South Boston HS ..	7:40-1:40
West Roxbury HS ..	7:35-1:35

EAST ZONE

Elementary Schools

Channing	9:20-3:10
Chittick	9:20-3:10
Clap	8:30-2:20
Condon	9:20-3:10
Dever	8:30-2:20
Early Learning Center/East: <i>Surround Care ...</i>	7:15-5:45
Endicott	8:30-2:20
Everett	8:25-2:15
Fifield	8:30-2:20
E. Greenwood	8:30-2:20
S. Greenwood (K-8)	9:20-3:10
Grew	9:15-3:05
Holland	9:20-3:10
Holmes	8:30-2:20
Kenny	8:30-2:20
Lee	8:30-2:20
Marshall	8:30-2:20
Mather	8:35-2:25
Mattahunt	9:20-3:10
Murphy	9:20-3:10
O'Hearn	8:35-2:25
Perkins	8:25-2:15
Perry	8:35-2:25
Roosevelt	9:20-3:10
Russell	9:20-3:10
P. A. Shaw	8:30-2:20
Stone	8:30-2:20
Taylor	9:20-3:10
Tynan	9:20-3:10

Middle Schools

Cleveland	7:35-1:35
Gavin	7:30-1:30
Harbor School (6 only)	7:30-2:30
Lewenberg	7:35-1:35
McCormack	7:30-1:30
Rogers	7:30-1:30
Thompson	7:35-1:35
Wilson	7:30-1:30

NORTH ZONE

Elementary Schools

Adams	8:30-2:20
Alighieri	8:25-2:15
Baldwin	8:30-2:20
Blackstone	9:25-3:15
Bradley	8:25-2:15
Early Learning Center/North: <i>Surround Care ...</i>	7:35-6:00
Eliot	8:30-2:20
Emerson	8:25-2:15
Farragut	8:30-2:20
Gardner	9:20-3:10
Garfield	8:35-2:25
Guild	9:20-3:10
Hamilton	9:20-3:10
Harvard/Kent	8:30-2:20
Hurley	9:20-3:10
Jackson/Mann	7:35-1:25
P. J. Kennedy	8:30-2:20
Lyon	9:20-3:10
<i>Surround Care ...</i>	7:15-5:00
Mason	9:20-3:10
McKay (K-8)	9:15-3:05
O'Donnell	8:35-2:25
Otis	9:25-3:15
Quincy (K-5)	8:25-2:15
Tobin (K-8)	8:35-2:25
Warren/Prescott ...	9:20-3:10
Winship	8:30-2:20
Winthrop	9:20-3:10

Middle Schools

Dearborn	7:30-3:10
<i>Friday only</i>	7:30-12:45
Special Needs	7:30-1:30
<i>Friday only</i>	7:30-12:45
Edison	7:30-1:30
Edwards	7:35-1:35
Quincy (6 only)	8:30-4:30
Taft	7:35-1:35
Umana/Barnes	7:35-1:35

WEST ZONE

Elementary Schools

Agassiz	9:20-3:10
Bates	8:30-2:20
Beethoven	8:30-2:20
Conley	9:15-3:05
J. Curley	9:20-3:10
Dickerman	8:30-2:20
Early Learning Center/West: <i>Surround Care ...</i>	7:30-6:00
Ellis	8:30-2:20
Fuller	8:25-2:15
Hale	9:20-3:10
Haley	9:20-3:10
Hennigan	9:20-3:10
Higginson	8:25-2:15
J. F. Kennedy	9:15-3:05
Kilmer	8:35-2:25
Lyndon (K-4)	8:30-2:20
Manning	8:30-2:20
Mendell	8:35-2:25
Mozart	9:20-3:10
Ohrenberger	9:25-3:15
Philbrick	8:25-2:15
Sumner	8:30-2:20
Trotter	9:20-3:10

Middle Schools

M. Curley	7:35-1:35
Irving	7:35-1:35
Lewis	7:35-1:35
R. G. Shaw	7:35-1:35
Timilty Special Needs Program	7:35-1:35
<i>Friday only</i>	7:35-12:45
Wheatley	9:15-3:15

CITYWIDE SCHOOLS

Hernandez (K-8) ..	9:20-3:10
King MS	7:35-1:35
Mission Hill (K-4)	To be announced
Timilty MS	7:35-3:05
<i>Friday only</i>	7:35-12:45
Young Achievers (K-4)	7:30-5:30
<i>Friday only</i>	7:30-3:30



To Register & Apply For School

Dates subject to minor changes. Call any Parent Information Center for current dates.

HOW

If you are registering for the Boston Public Schools for the first time, you must go to a Parent Information Center.

Please bring:

- ▲ Two preprinted proofs of address: a driver's license, utility bills, Medicare or Medicaid card, etc.
- ▲ Up-to-date immunization records and tuberculosis (TB) test results.
- ▲ Your child's birth certificate if you are registering for Kindergarten or Grade 1.

If your child already attends a Boston Public School, you will get an application from your child's school.

WHEN

FIRST APPLICATION PERIOD:

January 6-February 4, 1997

Kindergarten and Grades 1, 6 and 9
Assignments issued: Week of March 3

LATE APPLICATIONS:

February 5-March 14, 1997

Kindergarten and Grades 1, 6 and 9
Assignments issued: Week of April 7

TRANSFERS AND NEW REGISTRATIONS:

February 10-March 14, 1997

Grades 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12
Assignments issued: Week of April 7

APPLICATIONS PROCESSED MONTHLY: **March 18-June 30, 1997**

WHERE

Go to any Parent Information Center.

Hours: 8:30 A.M.-5 P.M., Monday through Friday during the school year; 9 A.M.-3 P.M. during school vacations and summer.

WEST ZONE PARENT CENTER

☎ 635-8040

at the Jennie Barron Building
515 Hyde Park Avenue, Roslindale
(near Cummins Highway)
Help in English, Haitian creole, Spanish
Transportation 635-8028

EAST ZONE PARENT CENTER

☎ 635-8015

at the Campbell Resource Center
1216 Dorchester Avenue, Dorchester
(behind Burger King)
Help in English, Spanish, Vietnamese
Transportation 635-8018

NORTH ZONE PARENT CENTER

☎ 635-9010

at the School Dept. Main Office
26 Court Street, 4th floor, Boston
(near State Street MBTA station)
Help in English, Cantonese, Mandarin, Toishanese, Spanish
Transportation 635-9244

HIGH SCHOOL PARENT CENTER

☎ 635-8890

at the Madison Park Complex
55 New Dudley Street, Roxbury
(near Roxbury Crossing MBTA station)
Help in English, Spanish
Transportation 635-8892

MULTILINGUAL COMMUNICATION AND PLACEMENT CENTER

☎ 635-6547

at the Madison Park Complex
55 New Dudley Street, Roxbury
(near Roxbury Crossing MBTA station)
Help in Cambodian, Chinese, French, Haitian creole, Cape Verdean creole, English, Greek, Portuguese, Somali, Spanish, Vietnamese